COUNTY OF SULLIVAN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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# MEETING MINUTES Monday, August 12, 2019

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Steingart called to order the regular meeting of the County of Sullivan Industrial Development Agency at approximately 11:02 AM, in the Legislative Committee Room at the Sullivan County Government Center, 100 North Street, Monticello, NY 12701.

#### II. ROLL CALL

# Members Absent-

Scott Smith

*Members Present*-Ira Steingart Suzanne Loughlin Howard Siegel Joseph Perrello Edward Sykes Paul Guenther Sean Rieber Carol Roig

# Staff Present-

Staff Absent-

Jennifer Flad, Executive Director Julio Garaicoechea, Project Manager Cassandra Egan, Administrative Assistant

# **Others Present-**

Walter Garigliano, Agency Counsel Tara Lewis, Garigliano Law Offices (\*By Phone) Robert Ryan Harris Beach PLLC Patricio Robayo, Sullivan County Democrat Matt Nanci, The Times Herald Record Ken Walter Mr. Singer

# III. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

On a motion made by Mr. Siegel and seconded by Mr. Guenther, the Board voted, and the minutes of the July 8, 2019 regular meeting were unanimously approved.

# IV. BILLS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Ms. Sykes made a motion to approve the revised schedule of payments. Mr. Guenther seconded the motion, the Board voted, and the revised schedule of payments was unanimously approved.

# V. STAFF REPORT

There were no comments on the staff report.

#### VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION/ CLOSED ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGED SESSION

On a motion made by Mr. Rieber and seconded by Ms. Loughlin, at 11:04 A.M. the Board entered executive session to discuss PILOT projects in default, and closed session to obtain legal advice.

On a motion made by Mr. Siegel and seconded by Mr. Perrello the Board exited executive session and closed session at 11:58 A.M.

#### VI. NEW BUSINESS

The Board reviewed and discussed a resolution amending and restating the Agency's 2006 Investment Policy. Mr. Guenther made a motion to approve the resolution. Ms. Loughlin seconded the motion, the Board voted, and the resolution was unanimously approved.

The Board reviewed and discussed a resolution amending and restating the Agency's By-Laws. Mr. Siegel made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Perrello seconded the motion, the Board voted, and the resolution was unanimously approved.

The Board reviewed and discussed a resolution extending the sales tax abatement period for **The Empire Resorts Real Estate II, LLC** Project through and including February 29, 2020. Mr. Perrello made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Guenther seconded the motion, the Board voted, and the resolution was unanimously approved.

The Board reviewed and discussed a resolution amending Resolution #18-19 relating to **The Catskill Brewery, LLC** Rural Business Development Grant. Mr. Perrello made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Guenther seconded the motion, the Board voted, and the resolution was unanimously approved.

The Board reviewed and discussed a resolution consenting to the assignment by **Bloomingburg Housing Associates**, of all right, title and interest in and to the project located at 68 Godfrey Road, Village of Bloomingburg, New York to Tiv Leivov LLC. Attorney Garigliano gave a brief background on the project's history and the Board discussed IDA benefits in relation to projects changing ownership. Chairman Steingart indicated that he intends to put a committee together to further clarify the relation between IDA benefits and project ownership changes. Mr. Rieber made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Guenther seconded the motion, the Board voted, and the resolution was unanimously approved.

#### VII. PUBLIC COMMENT

The board recognized the comments of Ken Walter.

# IX. RECESS

On a motion made by Mr. Guenther and seconded by Mr. Sykes, the meeting was recessed at 12:11 PM to be reconvened on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September 2019 at 11 AM in the Legislative Committee Room.

Respectfully submitted: Cassandra Egan, Administrative Assistant

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