

The Bethel Local Development Corporation (BLDC) meeting was called to order by Supervisor Sturm at the Duggan Community meeting room on December 8, 2011.

Present: Robert Blais.
Victoria Simpson.
Denise Frangipane.
Donald Roth.

Absent: Richard Crumley.

Approve Minutes

Motion to approve October 12th, 2011 minutes by Mr. Blais, seconded by Mrs. Simpson, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Smallwood Fire Company Fundraising Project

The Smallwood fire company is raising funds for the creation of a monument, incorporating an artifact from the 9/11 World Trade Center attack. They have requested the assistance of the BLDC to receive tax deductible contributions for this project. Motion to approve joint fundraising project by Mrs. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Blais, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

At this time, board member Fred Michel arrived at the meeting.

2008 KLMS II reallocation of Building Renovation Funds

Motion by Ms. Frangipane to officially withdraw the allocated funds from the Kauneonga Queen and Sylvia's Outlet projects, seconded by Mr. Blais, put to a vote and carried 6-0.

Motion by Mr. Blais to authorize the chairman to allocate the remaining funds (\$63,704) to any project that can meet the qualifications and completion deadline, seconded by Ms. Frangipane, put to a vote and carried 6-0.

2007 NYS Parks and Recreation Playground grant

Mr. Smith stated that the total cost of this project was \$73,533 of which 50% or \$36,222 has been reimbursed to the Town's general fund by the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historical Preservation (OPRHP). Erin O'Neil of the OPRHP visited in August to inspect the Town Park playground and appeared quite pleased with the project. This project is closed.

2009 Sullivan Renaissance Project by BBA at Mongaup Valley

Mr. Smith stated that on November 11th, we received a notice from Sullivan Renaissance that \$500 was provided to the BLDC as an award for the BBA's 2009 project at Mongaup Valley. These funds were to be used by the BBA for future projects or maintenance of the original project no later than October 31st, 2010. Our records show receipt of the \$500 on October 22nd, 2009, and we have no record of any expenses related to these funds. The BBA is attempting to document expenditures eligible for these funds.

Mr. Smith also stated that the BLDC needs to authorize payment to the BBA for documented, eligible expenses and the return of any remainder monies to Sullivan Renaissance.

A motion to do so by Mr. Blais, seconded by Mrs. Simpson, put to a vote and carried 5-0, with Ms. Frangipane abstaining.

NYS Public Authorities Accountability Act of 2005

The BLDC is required to adopt a number of formal documents and provide copies as part of new regulations established by the Authorities Budget Office. We have adopted several of these at past meetings, the latest is a Whistle Blower policy. After discussion, the board felt that they needed more information before voting on this.

BLDC Audit

Motion by Mrs. Simpson to allow Cooper and Nieman do to an audit for the BLDC, seconded by Mr. Roth, put to a vote and carried 6-0.

2002 Community Projects Grant

This grant is used to reimburse the BLDC's administrative costs, the funds paid to Susan Runnells and Leon Smith over time. Expenses to July 31st, 2011, the extended expiration date of the contract have been submitted for reimbursement. This will exhaust the final balance of the initial \$100,000 grant. Motion by Mr. Blais to approve the final reimbursement request, seconded by Mr. Roth, put to a vote and carried 6-0.

2008 KLMS II Allocation of Streetscape funds

See attachment.

Motion to approve the project by Mr. Roth, seconded by Mr. Blais, put to a vote and carried 6-0.

Next meeting will be February 9th, 2012 at 7PM.

Being there is no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Blais to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Frangipane, put to a vote and carried 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,
Dina Sturm
Recording Secretary.

