

# COUNTY OF CATTARAUGUS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 24, 2020  
CCIDA Offices  
Ellicottville, New York  
11:15 a.m.

*\* Please note this Board Meeting was conducted via Teleconference due to the Covid-19 Restrictions placed by ESD/NYS\**

**Roll Call:**     -Taken-

### **Members**

#### **Present:**

Mr. Thomas Buffamante - Chairman  
Mr. Joseph Higgins  
Mr. Brent Driscoll  
Mr. James Snyder  
Mr. Michael Wimer  
Mr. John Stahley  
Ms. Ginger Schroder

**Excused:**     N/A

### **CCIDA Staff/Counsel:**

Mr. Corey R. Wiktor, Executive Director CCIDA

Mr. George Cregg, Jr. - Legal Counsel, Hodgson Russ

Mr. Christopher Canada – Legal Counsel, Hodgson Russ

### **Presenters/Guests (Teleconference) :**

Ms. Denise Veloski – *Johnson, Mackowiak & Assoc LLP*

Mr. John Perry - *Johnson, Mackowiak & Assoc LLP*

Mr. John Thomas – *The Villager, Newspaper*

Chairman, Thomas Buffamante called the meeting to order at 11:17 a.m.

Mr. Wiktor stated that because of the COVID19 Pandemic we are holding the CCIDA Board Meeting via conference call.

A roll call of the Board of Directors of the CCIDA was taken Mr. Buffamante, Mr. Driscoll, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Snyder, and Mr. Wimer, and Mr. Stahley and Ms. Schroder were present. The full CCIDA Board were present.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**A Motion** was made by Brent Driscoll with a second by Michael Wimer to accept the February 6, 2020 CCIDA Board Meeting Minutes as presented. **Motion Carried**

### **\* Presentation of 2019 Annual Audit CCIDA/CCCRC:**

Mr. Wiktor stated that an Audit Committee meeting was held on March 19, 2020 to discuss the Draft 2019 Audit. Copies of the minutes of the meeting were provided to the CCIDA Board.

Mr. Buffamante next introduced Ms. Denise Veloski from Johnson, Mackowiak & Associates to discuss the 2019 Draft Audit with the CCIDA Board.

Denise stated that this was a clean Audit noting there was no need for the Auditors to include a Management Letter, noting procedures and processes were followed and adhered to in 2019. Denise also mentioned that a few minor adjustments were made in the wording in the Audit as suggested by the Audit Committee.

Denise then discussed the Management Discussion and Analysis information that was provided the Auditors by Corey Wiktor in regards to current, ongoing and projects in the works. It was also discussed that the net position has decreased by \$143,000 which was mainly due to a timing issue with the closing of several projects in the works that have been pushed into early 2020. Mr. Wiktor stated that currently through February 2020 we have income totaling \$320,000. Mr. Wiktor advised the CCIDA Board that a few projects that were slated to close in 2019 slid into the first week of 2020 of which we had no control over.

Denise mentioned that the expenses for 2019 were consistent with the expenses for 2018. Denise also mentioned that there was a transfer made from the CCCRC to the CCIDA checking account. This transfer was approved by Mr. Buffamante and done to cover expenses while waiting for several projects to close. This money has already been returned to the CCCRC account just after the first of the year however, it was stated in the Audit because CCIDA and CCCRC are reported separately. Denise also discussed the Net Pension Liability of \$48,470 this information is provided by New York State.

Denise stated that the Administrative Services charges for 2019 were \$5,000 because there was no bond issued by the CCCRC in 2019. Also, the \$40,000 transfer out shows on the Statement of Activities of the Audit and as discussed previously this amount has been returned to the CCCRC. The Net Cash has decreased at year end by \$126,000. Denise also stated that the CCIDA/CCCRC was completely covered by collateral or FDIC on all accounts. Denise noted that the coverage on all accounts has been going very well for the last few years.

The amount paid to New York State Pension was up slightly from 2018 up to \$22,438 this number is based on payroll.

Denise stated that there were a lot of new Accounting Standards that were issued however, no of them affected the financial statements of the CCIDA or the CCCRC.

Denise briefly discussed the Schedule of Bonds which include the balance at the beginning of the year and the amount paid during the year with the balance shown at year end. No new bonds were issued in 2019 also this schedule shows both the CCIDA and the CCCRC. The next thing the financials show are the Schedule of Leases entered into in 2019 and also any new PILOTS that were issued in 2019 to Projects being assisted by the CCIDA.

The Audit ended with a letter from Johnson, Mackowiak & Associates LLP in regards to Internal Controls and Compliance which had no matters to report.

Mr. Wiktor stated that the CCIDA Staff tries very hard to limit the monthly discretionary expenses. We also keep an eye on the Certificate of Deposit investments to try and earn as much interest as possible on all investments.

The Audit Committee made a motion to accept the minutes of the Audit Committee meeting and make a recommendation to accept the 2019 Audit as presented.

A Motion was made by Brent Driscoll, seconded by Michael Wimer to accept the 2019 Annual Audit by Johnson, Mackowiak & Associates LLP with a few minor changes. A Roll Call vote was taken, Mr. Buffamante, Mr. Driscoll, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Wimer, Mr. Stahley, and Ms. Schroder voted yes. **Motion Carried**

### **\*New Applications/Projects\***

#### **(#1.) 3M Property Management, LLC:**

3M Property Management, LLC has asked the County of Cattaraugus Industrial Development Agency (CCIDA) to consider their application for the complete renovation and rehab of the former "Olean Standards" building, located on W. State Street in the City of Olean. The project related to the building has been largely vacant and or underutilized for the past 3 years.

To date, plans are in development stage to bring a mixture of retail to the ground floor, and to construct four (4) high end apartment rental units on the upstairs of the location.

The Total project cost/investment is \$250,000.

Ginger Schroder asked if Fidurko Brothers Construction was the General Contractor on this project or if this project has not been started? Corey Wiktor advised Ms. Schroder that he will look into this matter and get back to her with an answer.



## **RESOLUTIONS;**

A **Motion** was made by Joseph Higgins, seconded by Michael Wimer, **RESOLUTION (A) DETERMINING THAT THE PROPOSED 3M PRPOERTY MANAGEMENT LLC (THE “COMPANY”) PROJECT IS A COMMERCIAL PROJECT, AND (B) MAKING CERTAIN FINDINGS REQUIRED UNDER THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW.** A Roll Call vote was taken, Mr. Buffamante, Mr. Driscoll, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Wimer, Mr. Stahley, and Ms. Schroder voted yes. **Motion Carried**

A **Motion** was made by Joseph Higgins, seconded by Michael Wimer, **RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT ACTION TO UNDERTAKE A PROJECT FOR THE BENEFIT OF 3M PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC IS A “TYPE II ACTION” AND NO FURTHER ACTION IS REQUIRED UNDER SEQRA WITH RESPECT THERETO.** A Roll Call vote was taken, Mr. Buffamante, Mr. Driscoll, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Wimer, Mr. Stahley, and Ms. Schroder voted yes. **Motion Carried**

A **Motion** was made by Joseph Higgins, seconded by Michael Wimer, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH A LEASE/LEASEBACK TRANSACTION FOR A PROJECT FOR 3M PROPERTY MANAGEMENT LLC (THE “COMPANY”).** A Roll Call vote was taken, Mr. Buffamante, Mr. Driscoll, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Wimer, Mr. Stahley, and Ms. Schroder voted yes. **Motion Carried**

### **-(#2.) River Valley Solar, LLC:**

River Valley Solar, LLC has asked the County of Cattaraugus Industrial Development Agency (CCIDA) to consider their application for the construction and installation of a 5 MW Solar Farm that will be constructed on 21 acres in the Town of Allegany, NY.

This project will participate in the NY-SUN Community Solar Program administered by NYSERDA. The Total project cost/investment is \$11,500,000. Ms. Schroder stated that she had reached out to the Legislators in the area and received an e-mail in support of this project with no negative comments thus far. To date, the Town has been supportive of this proposed project as well.

Mr. Wiktor stated that this project would be subject to the new UTEP policy that is currently in place. Mr. Wiktor stated the Public Hearing will be held via conference call and Zoom video conference to comply with the Governor’s order.

## **RESOLUTION;**

A **Motion** was made by Brent Driscoll, seconded by Joseph Higgins, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF COUNTY OF CATTARAUGUS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING A PROPOSED PROJECT OT BE UNDERTAKEN FOR THE BENEFIT OF RIVER VALLEY SOLAR LLC.** A Roll Call vote was taken, Mr. Buffamante, Mr. Driscoll, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Wimer, Mr. Stahley, and Ms. Schroder voted yes. **Motion Carried**

A **Motion** was made by Brent Driscoll, seconded by Joseph Higgins, **RESOLUTION DIRECTION THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF COUNTY OF CATTARAUGUS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO TAKE CERTAIN ACTIONS UNDER ARTICLE 8 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION LAW IN CONNECTION WITH A PROPOSED PROJECT TO BE UNDERTAKEN FOR THE BENEFIT OF RIVER VALLEY SOLAR LLC.** A Roll Call vote was taken, Mr. Buffamante, Mr. Driscoll, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Wimer, Mr. Stahley, and Ms. Schroder voted yes. **Motion Carried**



### **-Uniform Tax Exemption Policy – Solar:**

Mr. Wiktor advised the CCIDA Board that two (2) Public Hearings were held on March 16<sup>th</sup> pertaining to the proposed changes to the Agency's UTEP for commercial solar installations. The first hearing was held 10:30 a.m. in the Olean City Hall and at 5:00 p.m. at the CCIDA Office. The minutes from both meetings have been provided to the CCIDA Board for their information. These hearings were to discuss the proposed changes to the Agency's UTEP relating to dollar amounts per installed capacity for, commercial solar installations in Cattaraugus County. The Agency received very few comments on the proposed changes, and most were supportive of the increased dollar amounts.

Mr. Wiktor thanked the CCIDA Board for their guidance and assistance in proposing the changes to the Solar component of our current UTEP. This has been a long process however, Mr. Wiktor feels comfortable with the outcome.

**A Motion** was made by Joseph Higgins, seconded by Michael Wimer, **RESOLUTION ADOPTING COUNTY OF CATTARAUGUS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY'S UNIFORM TAX EXEMPTION POLICY.** A Roll Call vote was taken, Mr. Buffamante, Mr. Driscoll, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Wimer, Mr. Stahley, and Ms. Schroder voted yes. **Motion Carried**

### **-Portville Solar 1, LLC: (Borrego Solar)**

Portville Solar, LLC has asked the CCIDA to consider their request for the term of their PILOT from 15 to 25 years along with a proposed dollar amount relating to the PILOT. This project was originally approved in 2019, and since then the developer is asking the Agency to agree to a 25 year PILOT and increased dollar amounts for the PILOT. Emails from the Developer were shared with the Board Members to have them consider.

After much discussion and thought, Mr. Snyder suggested that we give the developer the option to keep the old policy at 15 years or go with the new policy for the 25 years as a counter offer.

**A Motion** was made by Brent Driscoll, seconded by Joseph Snyder to make a counter offer to Borrego Solar of accepting the 15-year Solar PILOT which was in effect when their application was first Induced by the Agency or go with the new recently passed UTEP with a term of 25 years. A Roll Call vote was taken, Mr. Buffamante, Mr. Driscoll, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Wimer, Mr. Stahley, and Ms. Schroder voted yes. **Motion Carried**

George Cregg, Jr. stated that he would advise Nadene Zeigler to present this counter offer to Portville Solar 1 Legal Team and we would plan to have a new revised Resolution at our April 2020 CCIDA Board Meeting.

### **RESOLUTION:**

**A Motion** was made by Joseph Higgins, seconded by Michael Wimer, **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SEND A LETTER TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE AFFECTED TAXING ENTITIES INFORMING THEM OF A PROPOSED DEVIATION FROM THE AGENCY'S UNIFORM TAX EXEMPTION POLICY**

**IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED PORTVILLE SOLAR 1, LLCT PROJECT.** A Roll Call vote was taken, Mr. Buffamante, Mr. Driscoll, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Wimer, Mr. Stahley, and Ms. Schroder voted yes. **Motion Carried**

**\*New York & Lake Erie Railroad Proposed Contract Renewal:**

The County of Cattaraugus Industrial Development Agency is looking to renew its Operating Agreement with our standing rail operator, The New York & Lake Erie Rail Road – Mr. Robert Dingman. As with past practice, we are proposing to renew this contract for a term of five (5) years. Please see the proposal provided for further information and details.

Mr. Wiktor stated that he would like to entertain the idea of removing the track in several areas and scrap the ties, donate the land to rails to trails and use the money to fund various Communities in the County.

Mr. Wiktor mentioned to the Board that if it was decided to scrap a portion of the rail road that Mr. Dingman of NY & LE Railroad would still be able to run an excursion train from Gowanda to South Dayton if the CCIDA permitted him to do so.

Mr. George Cregg, Jr. suggested that before any scrap is taken from the Rail road line that the NYS DOT should be consulted to coordinate the removal of the tracks. This would take a considerable amount of time to get this completed. It was suggested that Corey Wiktor investigate the possibility of removing a portion of the line. Ms. Schroder had a question in regards to the environmental issues that would be associated with the removal of the rail line.

**A Motion** was made by Brent Driscoll, seconded by Joseph Higgins, to renew for a five (5) year term the Operating Agreement with New York & Lake Erie Rail Road – Mr. Robert Dingman subject to modifications. A Roll Call vote was taken, Mr. Buffamante, Mr. Driscoll, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Wimer, Mr. Stahley, and Ms. Schroder voted yes. **Motion Carried**

**A Motion** was made by Brent Driscoll, seconded by Joseph Higgins to give authority to Corey Wiktor to investigate the removal of the unused portion of the rail line owned by the CCIDA and report back to the CCIDA Board in regards to costs and legal matters associated with such a removal. A Roll Call vote was taken, Mr. Buffamante, Mr. Driscoll, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Wimer, Mr. Stahley, and Ms. Schroder voted yes. **Motion Carried**

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

The IDA had income in **February 2020** a total of **\$58,585.00.**

-HK Olean Hotel, LLC - \$57,500.00 – Administrative Fee

-NY&LE Railroad - \$1,085.00 – Property Taxes - Reimbursement

**A Motion** was made by Brent Driscoll, seconded by Joseph Higgins to approve the Financial Reports for **February 2020** as prepared. A Roll Call vote was taken, Mr. Buffamante, Mr. Driscoll, Mr. Higgins, Mr. Snyder, Mr. Wimer and Mr. Stahley, Ms. Schroder voted yes. **Motion Carried**



-Mr. Wiktor stated that he had hoped that the four (4) projects in document closing stages would have been closed by now. We are in hopes that these projects will be closed within the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarters of 2020.

**\*Executive Directors Reports:**

***Due to time constraints with conducting the meeting via Conference Call, if anyone has any questions on the items listed in the Executive Directors Report please contact Corey Wiktor via e-mail or cell phone.***

**-Internal (IDA Meetings/Discussions):**

- ✓ **COVID 19 Virus Update:** Corey will give an update on the Coronavirus that has been impacting the day to day operations with many businesses/firms in Cattaraugus County. We have been in daily contact with our State and Federal elected Leaders and also with Empire State Development on fielding questions, concerns and issues that some Companies are facing during this crisis.

We have conveyed various new loan programs from the SBA to our business contacts within the County, and kept in touch with the County economic development, STW, WIB, multiple Loan Boards, etc. We will continue to stay on top of this and keep our business apprised of any and all programs that may be eligible for during these very trying, challenging and ever-changing times.

- ✓ Met with Dan DeRose from Mazza Mechanical for an update meeting in Olean.
- ✓ Met with National Fuel Gas in regards to a possible project. More to come on this.
- ✓ Met with Larry Sorokes from InTandem in Olean to discuss way the IDA/CRC could assist their business on any potential investment projects that they are considering.
- ✓ Met with Joanne Campanga from Illuminate Consulting in regards to financing opportunities for Opportunity Zones (of which Olean is in one). More to come as she as a possible client looking at of the Brownfields in the City of Olean.
- ✓ Attended the Town of Portville town Board meeting relating to a few proposed solar developments with Dimension Energy. Three possible projects.
- ✓ Met with a developer who is considering doing an Adaptive Reuse Project in Olean. More to follow should this proposed project proceed.
- ✓ Had a meeting Michael Kaplan with Olivewood Energy relating to a possible commercial solar project in the Towns of Yorkshire and Machias.
- ✓ Attended the monthly CCBDC Board meetings relating to small business loans within Cattaraugus County.
- ✓ Met with Mark Storch from Storch Development relating to possible development sites within Cattaraugus County relating to commercial development and possible solar development.
- ✓ Attended the monthly Olean Business Development Board meetings.

- ✓ Met with a local manufacturer who is considering a new build for their expanding business within the County. Looks promising. We have brought in ESD and the County as well. More to follow. Looking at a Summer 2020 construction.
- ✓ Attended the Town of Ellicottville Town Board meeting to discuss RPTL Section 485 A & B relating to various tax incentives.
- ✓ Attended the monthly Cattaraugus County Economic Development Team Meetings.
- ✓ Met with Steve Lasky from Olean Union Sales relating to a possible expansion project at their current site in the City of Olean. More to come on this.
- ✓ Had a lunch update meeting with Greg Sehr to discuss area and local economic development projects.
- ✓ Attended 2 meetings in Feb. and March in the Village of Gowanda relating to the proposed channel to build to divert Thatcher Brook in Gowanda. The IDA's land may be impacted. Further meetings to follow as well.
- ✓ Continued meetings and discussion with IBN & ESD regarding a proposed large project, "*Project Block*". We are actively working on this and getting all requested information to the proposed project developer on a few sites within Cattaraugus County.
- ✓ Met with a local real estate developer who is consider a large Adaptive Reuse project in the City of Olean. We anticipate a Summer 2020 application for this proposed project.
- ✓ Attended IBN Niagara Board meeting.
- ✓ Had a meeting with Kinley Construction Corp along with a developer who is considering a project in the Allegany-Olean area within the first half of 2020. Possible IDA application later this Spring.
- ✓ Met with Peter Kreinheder from Ellicottville Brewing Project for an update meeting to discuss his project in Little Valley and also to talk about the project that he is undertaking in the Village of Ellicottville. Good news!
- ✓ Met with Dennis Eshbaugh, David Trathen and Bonnie Koschir from Holiday Valley for an update meeting. Win-Sum Ski Corp. is submitting an application to the IDA in April relating to their annual projects and redevelopments.
- ✓ Met with a local developer who is discussing with area businesses and companies the possibility of constructing a work force housing project in the Ellicottville region.
- ✓ Met with John Cappelino from Erie County IDA, Sean Doyle Hamburg IDA, David Mingioa, Amherst IDA and Paul Leone, Lancaster IDA relating to updates and projects and also key topics within the proposed 2020 NYS Budget.
- ✓ Met with Richard Zink from STW and an adaptive reuse developer and discussed a possible "Downtown Redevelopment Loan Fund".
- ✓ Had a conference call with NYSERDA and various representatives to discuss commercial solar PILOT's and various dollar amounts for proposed PILOT's. They will be sending me some further information as



it pertains to updated rates and dollar amounts that they are seeing in our region for commercial solar PILOT's.

- ✓ Attended the Operational Excellence Breakfast meeting at JCC-MTI Building. This was a very good event! Well attended as well.
- ✓ Met with Halley Kottwitz for an update meeting relating to YEA!
- ✓ Will be on the YEA! Investor Panel again this year. The event will be held on March 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm at JCC.
- ✓ Regional Economic Development Team meeting with all of the Southern Tier Counties, meeting to discuss various projects and topics held at STW.
- ✓ Attended the Cattaraugus One Stop-Job Fair in Olean on March 6<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 to 12:00 PM. A very well attended event as well.
- ✓ Met with 2 local small manufacturers who are considering equipment purchases that would fall under our Small Business SNAP Lease program. My hope is to have at least one of the company's making an application in June.
- ✓ Attended the Partnership 2020 Advocacy agenda meeting in Buffalo to discuss and outline the various points that will be critical in this this year's NYS Budget.
- ✓ Met with Robert Dingman from the NY LE & RR to get various updates on the railroad situation as well as to discuss his proposed 5-year operating lease with the CCIDA.
- ✓ Met with Mayor Aiello for an update meeting on the various economic development projects that are occurring and proposed in the City of Olean.
- ✓ Met with Richard Schechter from Cushman Wakefield in regards to a client that he has that is considering Cattaraugus County for a site for a possible mid-sized distribution center. We have a follow up meeting already scheduled for Friday April 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- ✓ Met again with a project developer from Calamar Development to give him a general overview on various sites and buildings and ways the IDA could assist them should they look to invest within the County.
- ✓ Met with Tony Kurdizel from Montante Development to give him a general overview on various sites and buildings and ways the IDA could assist them should they look to invest within the County.
- ✓ Attended the Cattaraugus County Community Action Meeting.
- ✓ Met with Paul Leone from the Concord IDA and Gary Eppiloto.
- ✓ Met with a local manufacturing who is still proposing a very significant expansion project for their business. I have had 2 meetings over the past few months, things are still moving along. More to follow, this would be great news!
- ✓ Attended and held 2 Public Hearing meetings relating to the IDA's proposed UTEP changes for solar projects.

- ✓ Met with Mike Giardini from Kinley to discuss a few possible projects that they may have some interest in. More to follow.
- ✓ Toured a building in Ashford that may have a possible suitor to rent. This would be a net new business to Cattaraugus County. More to follow.
- ✓ Had a conference call with an energy company who is proposing 2 solar installations in the towns for Machias and Franklinville.
- ✓ Met with Diego Siranni from ESD to discuss some things that we are looking to set up as a “blitz campaign” with Crystal and myself and area companies in the County.
- ✓ IBN Niagara Commercial Real estate directory meeting. We are looking to revamp this section of Investcattaraugus.com This will be a nice new feature, as we have been working on this for a few months.

**-External (Points of Interest relating to the CCIDA):**

- ✓ **Buffalo Niagara Partnership:** *“The latest effort to expand New York costly prevailing Wage mandate.”* An update in relating to the proposed Prevailing Wage mandate that would impact IDA’s across the State.
- ✓ **NYS Senate Blue Book:** *Executive Budget Proposal-* Various topics that center in and around economic development that are proposed for the 2020 NYS Budget.
- ✓ **Ryan Silva:** *“Budget Amendment on renewable energy projects.”* The proposal from the Governor relating to siting of renewable energy projects that fall under the Article X category.
- ✓ **New York State:** *“Governor Cuomo Announces 30-Day Amendment to Accelerate Renewable Energy Projects and Drive Economic Growth as Part of Nation-Leading Climate Agenda.”*
- ✓ **Official Announcement:** *“Zewe named president, chief executive officer of Upper Allegany Health Systems, Olean General Hospital, and Bradford Regional Medical Center effective March 15, 2020”.* We welcome Jeff and very much look forward to working with he and his staff!
- ✓ **Town of Portville:** Corey attended the Town’s Board meeting to answer any questions relating to the IDA’s potential involvement in a few proposed solar projects that are slated to be built in Portville.
- ✓ **Operational Excellence Breakfast Meeting:** Held at Jamestown MTI Room 113 at JCC in Olean, NY from 7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. A very good event, hosted in conjunction with Inyste Consulting relating to manufacturing.
- ✓ **Olean Times Herald:** *“Ellicottville Brewing Co. picks up former CNY brand.” Ellicottville Brewing Co. continues to expand its reach as it now owns and brews Empire Brewing Co. beer in Central New York.*
- ✓ **NYSCAR:** *“Save the Date for 2020”* Listing of important dates that events have been planned for members of NYSCAR. Various meeting dates, and also the CCIDA will be presenting at the Spring meeting on the highlights, sites and advantages of investing in Cattaraugus County.



- ✓ **The Villager:** “*Ellicottville Brewing Acquires Empire Brewing.*” Continued growth for Ellicottville Brewing Company. We wish them all the very best!
- ✓ **The Villager:** “*EVL Tourism on the Rise*”. An excellent article highlighting the continued growth in the tourism economy in Ellicottville and the region. A very good article!
- ✓ **Shutterstock:** “*The 12 Top Ski-Town Beers You Have to Try After You Hit the Slopes*” Holiday Valley New York, Ellicottville Brewery’s Blueberry Wheat is in the top 12. An excellent article highlighting EBC & Ellicottville!
- ✓ **The Villager:** “*Solar Discussion Goes On – so Far the Only thing Solar Panels are Generating is Debate.*” Corey also presented to the Town of Ellicottville Board relating to RPTL Section 485 A & B.
- ✓ **Cattaraugus County Career Center:** Job Fair held on March 6, 2020 from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. which was very well attended.
- ✓ **Cattaraugus County Business Development Corp.** Attended the Business Development Board of Directors meeting held at St. Bonaventure University on March 11, 2020.
- ✓ **Billings Sheet Metal:** Monthly Market Bulletin for February 2020.
- ✓ **Cattaraugus-Allegany Workforce Development Board:** WEB Board Meeting on Friday, March 13, 2020 at Moonwinks in Cuba, NY.
- ✓ **Southern Tier West:** Meeting held on March 19, 2020 for the Southern Tier West Regional Planning & Development Board.
- ✓ **Invitation:** Will be attending the Doctor Donor Reception to be held on April 2, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the Bartlett Country Club in honor of Timothy Finan.
- ✓ **Annual Report 2018-2019:** Northland Workforce Training Center.

#### **Adjournment:**

A Motion was made by Brent Driscoll seconded by Michael Wimer to adjourn the meeting at 12:55 p.m. All in Favor – Motion Carried.

**\* Next CCIDA Board of Directors Meeting: Thursday, May 7, 2020 at 11:15 a.m. at the CCIDA Offices in Ellicottville, New York via Conference Call.**