

# TOWN OF BETHLEHEM

Albany County - New York

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### MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

February 25, 2004

The regular meeting of the Town of Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency was convened in public session on February 25, 2004 at the Bethlehem Town Hall, Delmar, New York.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Leveille at 8:30 AM.

<b>IDA Members Present</b>	<b>IDA Members Absent</b>	<b>Others</b>
George Leveille, Chairman Joseph Richardson, Vice-Chairman Judith Kehoe, Treasurer Frank Venezia, Secretary Daniel Plummer	David Petraglia	Brian Hannafin Tom Connolly, Esq Sheila Krauss, Clerk Theresa Egan Marie Capone Tim Thornton

The first item was the approval of the minutes of the January 14, 2004 meeting.

**Resolution 5-2004** A motion was made by Mr. Venezia to approve the minutes as amended, seconded by Ms. Kehoe and carried with the following vote:

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Noes</u>
Mr. Leveille Mr. Richardson Ms. Kehoe Mr. Venezia	Mr. Plummer	Mr. Petraglia	None

The next item was the Chairman's Report. Mr. Leveille yeilded to Mr. Richardson who gave an update on the activities of the Albany Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber is pursuing four major initiatives:

- The creation of a multi lingual "Portal" to help address the needs of new businesses and their employees manned by a full time staff person
- The educational process - especially to bring Math and Science to Tech Valley
- Welcoming newcomers to the community

- Marketing the region

They are discussing hiring a consultant for fund raising possibly in conjunction with CEG.

The next item was an update on the Tech Park. There have been meetings with DOT to commit to a project schedule. Clough Harbor submitted a Traffic Report to DOT. This report indicates that “the cumulative development of 800,000 square feet of office and research and development use will not have a significant impact to the operation of the future road network with the proposed Bypass.” This should complete the EIS by DOT. BBL doing conceptual design work for the project as well as the first 75,000 – 100,000 sq. ft. building. CEG is hosting a booth at the SEMICON EUROPA 2004 conference in Munich in April. They would like someone to attend to promote the Tech Park site.

The next item was a confidential update on the BIG Arena given by Mr. Thornton.

The next item was an update on the Daisytek/Selkirk Ventures recapture. An agreement is in development that would guarantee the payment by the parent company - Galesi while allowing them time to market the property.

New Business:

- Goals and Objectives for the IDA were handed out for review and discussion at the next meeting
- Bethlehem is still a favored site for the EPA dredging cleanup site. A report will be coming out in April describing the seven final sites.
- A town plan update was given by Ms. Egan. A land use consultant will be nominated at the Town Board meeting tonight.
- The Albany Colonie Regional Chamber of Commerce dinner is March 11, 2004.
- Meeting dates will be the third Thursday of each month. The next meeting is March 18, 2004 at 7:30 AM.
- The annual financial report was presented by Ms. Kehoe. A clean opinion was given by the auditors.

A motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Kehoe, seconded by Mr. Venezia and carried with the following vote:

<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Noes</u>
Mr. Leveille Mr. Richardson Ms. Kehoe Mr. Plummer Mr. Venezia	None	Mr. Petraglia	None

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Krauss