GCEDC STAMP Committee Meeting
Tuesday, February 28, 2023
Location: 99 MedTech Drive, Innovation Zone
10:00 a.m.

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE
Committee Members:  P. Zeliff, C. Kemp, M. Clattenburg (Video Conference*), C. Yunker
Staff:  M. Masse, J. Krencik, L. Casey, L. Farrell (Video Conference), P. Kennett
Guests:  R. Crossen (Town of Alabama Supervisor/Video Conference), M. Fitzgerald (Phillips Lytle/Video Conference)

Absent:

* Attending from physical location identified in meeting notice as open to the public.

1. Call to Order / Enter Public Session

P. Zeliff called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. in the Innovation Zone.

1a. Executive Session

C. Yunker made a motion to enter executive session under the Public Officers Law, Article 7, Open Meetings Law Section 105, at 10:04 a.m., for the following reasons:

1. Discussions regarding proposed, pending, or current litigation.
2. The medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.
3. The proposed acquisition, sale or lease of real property or the proposed acquisition of securities, or sale or exchange of securities held by such public body, but only when publicity would substantially affect the value thereof.

The motion was seconded by C. Kemp and approved by all members present.

1b. Re-Enter Public Session

C. Yunker made a motion to enter back into public session at 10:28 a.m., seconded by C. Kemp and approved by all.

2. Chairman’s Report & Activities

2a. Agenda Additions / Other Business – Nothing at this time.

2b. Minutes: February 1, 2023

C. Kemp made a motion to approve the January 11, 2023 minutes; the motion was seconded by M. Clattenburg. Roll call resulted as follows:
3. Discussions / Official Recommendations to the Board:

3a. Tree Purchases for Planting – In conjunction with the Town of Alabama Planning Board approval of the substation, they requested that trees be planted in the open space area to the north of the substation entrance road to provide more screening to the residents. These 7 acres are in the 300-foot buffer area that is zoned Ag/Res and cannot be developed. Through the tree purchase program at Genesee Soil & Water Conservation District we can purchase these trees at a discounted rate. We will work with local organizations to get them planted at no cost. This will also reduce the amount of open space that would require annual maintenance such as mowing.

**Fund Commitment**: $4,473 from operational funds.

**Board Action Request**: Approval of payment of $4,473 to Genesee Soil & Water Conservation District.

The Committee stated that the deer population is prevalent in the area that the trees would be planted. R. Crossen estimates that 50 – 60% of the trees would be lost due to consumption by the deer. The Committee recommends that staff and CC Environment and Planning find measures that protect the investment in trees before purchasing. Staff will discuss the Committee’s concerns with CC Environment and Planning. Potential solutions will be presented at the Board meeting on Thursday, March 2.

This agenda item was tabled.

3b. Easement Approvals – In conjunction with the installation of the force main from the STAMP site to the direct discharge point at Oak Orchard Creek, there are several easements needed. We are seeking approval of the following easements:

1. Permanent Easement 6 - $5,000
2. Permanent Easement 13 - $500

**Fund Commitment**: $5,500 from the $33 million.

**Board Action Request**: Approval of payment of $5,500 to the holders of the easement numbers identified above.

C. Yunker made a motion to recommend to the full Board the approval of the ROW easement payments not to exceed $5,500 as presented; the motion was seconded by C. Kemp. Roll call resulted as follows:

- P. Zeliff - Yes
- C. Yunker - Yes
- M. Clattenburg – Yes (Video Conference*)
- C. Kemp - Yes
4. Adjournment
As there was no further business, C. Yunker made a motion to adjourn at 10:36 a.m., seconded by C. Kemp and passed unanimously.