

Agenda

Planning & Economic Development Committee

July 21, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

Gerace Office Building, Mayville, NY

- A. Call to Order
- B. Approval of Minutes (6/16/21)
- C. Privilege of the Floor
 - 1. Proposed Resolution – Confirm Appointment - Chautauqua County Food Policy Council
 - 2. Proposed Resolution – Authorize Use of Lake Erie Management Commission Capital Project H.8020.37011 Funds to Co-Fund Barcelona Harbor Dredging
 - 3. Other

**CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. _____**

PMW 7/13/21

TITLE: Confirm Appointment - Chautauqua County Food Policy Council

BY: Planning & Economic Development Committee:

AT THE REQUEST OF: County Executive Paul M. Wendel, Jr.:

WHEREAS, the Chautauqua County Food Policy Council was created by Resolution 119-19; and

WHEREAS, a food policy council serves as a network to bring stakeholders both directly and indirectly involved in a food system together to increase communication between sectors and to strengthen and build healthy, sustainable communities; and,

WHEREAS, Resolution 119-19 provides that the membership of the Council will consist of a minimum of thirteen members, comprising seven reserved seats and six community seats; and

WHEREAS, additional seats may be added as recommended by the Council, but total membership will not exceed fifteen members; and

WHEREAS, County Executive Paul M. Wendel, Jr., has submitted the following initial appointment for action by the Chautauqua County Legislature; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Chautauqua County Legislature does hereby confirm the following appointment to the Chautauqua County Food Policy Council:

Molly Harvey
198 South Lake Street
North East, PA 16428
Term Expires: 12/31/23
(Filling Term of Kate Ewer)

_____ **APPROVED**

_____ **VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)**

County Executive

Date

**CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. _____**

DLM 6/23/21
KMD 06/23/21
ABC 06/23/21
SMA 06/23/21
KLC 06/30/21
PMW 6/30/21

TITLE: Authorize Use of Lake Erie Management Commission Capital Project H.8020.37011 Funds to Co-Fund Barcelona Harbor Dredging

BY: Planning & Economic Development and Audit & Control Committees:

AT THE REQUEST OF: County Executive Paul M. Wendel, Jr.:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 178-11, the Lake Erie Management Commission (LEMC) was created by the Chautauqua County Legislature to prioritize and select Lake Erie watershed projects for funding; seek additional funding for Lake Erie watershed projects; and undertake such other initiatives and coordination activities for the betterment of the Lake Erie watershed; and

WHEREAS, over the last ten years, the LEMC has effectively identified, prioritized, and recommended and delivered 2% Occupancy Tax Funding to stakeholders and municipalities in the Lake Erie Watershed; and

WHEREAS, Barcelona Harbor is located on Lake Erie and within the Town of Westfield, and is economically important to the Town of Westfield, Chautauqua County, and Western New York; and

WHEREAS, historically high Lake Erie water levels and severe weather events during 2019 and 2020 caused Barcelona Harbor’s breakwaters to be overtopped by damaging waves; and

WHEREAS, tens of thousands of cubic yards of sediment and storm debris were deposited within the Federal Navigation Channel of Barcelona Harbor, rendering it useless as a Harbor of Refuge on the Great Lakes Navigation System, and severely diminished for recreational boating and sport fishing; and

WHEREAS, the United States Army Corps of Engineers Buffalo District is actively working to identify funding to restore the full functionality of Barcelona Harbor; however, it is unlikely that a federally funded dredging project can be implemented in 2021; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Westfield approached the LEMC with a plan to obtain the proper permits and to utilize shared services and rental equipment to dredge approximately 5,000 cubic yards of sediment from Barcelona Harbor’s inlet to ensure that the harbor is accessible and usable for recreational boating and sportfishing in 2021; and

WHEREAS, On March 15, 2021, the LEMC unanimously approved a resolution to co-fund the Town of Westfield’s local effort to dredge the inlet of Barcelona Harbor at a cost not to exceed \$20,000; and

WHEREAS, using 2% Occupancy Tax Funding, capital project H.8020.37011 Lake Erie Mgmt Comm (2020) was created to facilitate projects consistent with the goals of the LEMC, and the capital project has a budget of \$62,522; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Chautauqua County Legislature authorizes the use of up to \$20,000 from capital project H.8020.37011 to reimburse the Town of Westfield for dredging costs in Barcelona Harbor; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Executive is hereby authorized to establish accounts and enter into any and all agreements necessary to implement the terms of this resolution.

APPROVED

VETOES (VETO MESSAGE ATTACHED)

County Executive

Date