

HOST COMMUNITIES

STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, December 12, 2017 – 12:00 p.m.

Niagara County Department of Economic Development

Representatives Present:

Mark Laurrie	Niagara Falls City School District
Paul Casseri, Superintendent	Lewiston Porter School District
Lou Paonessa	New York Power Authority
Tom Burgasser, Esq.	Niagara County
Scott Hapeman, Esq.	Niagara Wheatfield School District
Lee Wallace, Supervisor, VICE CHAIRPERSON	Town of Niagara
Steve Broderick, Supervisor	Town of Lewiston
Thomas O’Donnell, Esq., CHAIRPERSON	City of Niagara Falls

Alternates/Guests:

Jackie Siegmann	Town of Niagara
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Staff Present:

Mary Melloni, Recording Secretary
Stan Widger, Esq., NPC Counsel, Nixon Peabody – Via Teleconference

1.0 Call to Order

Chairperson O’Donnell called the Host Communities Standing Committee meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.

2.0 Roll Call

Ms. Melloni called the roll.

3.0 Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson O’Donnell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4.0 Introductions

5.0 HCSC 3-Year Audit RFP – S. Hapeman, Esq.

Mr. Hapeman explained that an RFP was sent to ten different entities. In response there were three firms that stated they did not wish to make a proposal; six firms did not respond; and one proposal was received. The proposal was from Lumsden McCormick LLP, the firm that currently performs the Niagara Power Coalition Audit from year to year and a firm that has an excellent reputation. Their proposal was for \$3,000 plus out-of-pocket expenses that would be approximately \$150. This is half the cost of the previous audits performed for the HCSC. Mr. Hapeman made the motion to approve Lumsden McCormick as the firm to perform the 3-year Audit of the HCSC, seconded by Mr. Burgasser. Motion passed.

6.0 Any other Matters

7.0 Next Meeting: January 30, 2017 - 12:00 p.m.

8.0 Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn by Mr. Hapeman, seconded by Mr. Burgasser. Meeting adjourned at 12:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary P. Melloni
Recording Secretary