

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES COMMITTEE
July 28, 2021
Minutes

Committee members present: Chairman Dave Hintz, Billy Fried, Steven Schreier, Bob Thome, Dan Hess, Mary Rideout, Tina Smigielski, Lisa Charbarneau, Mike Romportl and Jeff Verdoorn.

Committee members absent: Alan VanRaalte (excused).

Also present: Tamara Feest (Human Service Center) Jim Winkler (County Board Supervisor via Zoom).

Call to order: Chairman Hintz called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. in Committee Room #2 of the Oneida County Courthouse. The meeting has been properly posted and is in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting law and the facility is handicap accessible.

Approve agenda: Motion by Schrier, second by Hintz to approve today's agenda with the order of items at the Chair's discretion. All aye; motion carried.

Approve minutes of the July 8, 2021 meeting: Motion by Schrier, second by Thome to approve the minutes of the July 8, 2021 meeting as presented. All aye; motion carried.

Public Comment

Hintz asked if there was any public comment from people in the room or participating on zoom. There were no other public comments at this time.

Team Updates

Team A-Financial

Smigielski gave an overview of the request list which totals over fourteen million dollars. She indicated that ranking of the items would be important. Hintz told the group that it is never too late for a good idea to be added to the list. Direction was given for each team to rank their assigned topics, then Team A would determine if the item was allowable under the funding. Discussion on using the dollars wisely as other funding dollars may be available for some of the ideas. The committee agreed that clearer, shovel ready projects/items should take the highest priority. Each team needs to indicate which ideas are worth pursuing.

Team B-Workforce Challenges/Opportunities

Charbarneau reports that the committee was unable to meet.

Team C – Social and other services

Fried reports that there was good discussion of the topics by Team C. The team did see some topics that could be combined. Rideout reports that the team ranked the topics as follows: 1- Treatment Court, 2- DSS Offices Remodel (partially funded by CIP project), 3- ADRC/PH Sidewalk Repair/safety issue and 4-Minocqua Afterschool Pilot Program(medium-low).

Team D – Other Opportunities

Did not have an opportunity to meet.

The group felt that the Treatment Court would be a large commitment of money right off the top. Hintz indicated that broadband expansion dollars needed to be considered. The committee agreed that any of the ARPA funds that could be used as a potential match, or leverage more dollars should be considered.

Public Comment

There was no public comment from the meeting room or zoom.

Future agenda topics

- Teams to meet and prepare a list of items to pursue
- Teams should meet to discuss the comprehensive spreadsheet list of topics and priorities to give an overview at next meeting.

Future Meeting Dates

Next meeting of the FOC is for Thursday, August 12, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

Adjourn

Hintz adjourned the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

David Hintz, Chair

Lisa Charbarneau, Recording Secretary