

**ALLEGANY COUNTY
Local Development Corporation**

Crossroads Center

Belmont NY

February 12, 2026

After ACIDA approx.11AM

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AGENDA

Approval of Minutes

- Jan 8 2026

Executive Session- discussion of contractual/legal issue

Treasurer's Report

- Financial report

Action Items

- Approve Remote meeting policy
- ACLDC loan program

Old Business

New Business

Good of the Order

Adjournment

**Allegany County Local Development Corporation
MEETING**

January 8, 2026

Crossroads Conference Center, Belmont, New York 14813

OPENING REMARKS

- Judith Hopkins, Chairperson called the board meeting to order at 11:04am
- Present: Judith Hopkins, Chairperson; Randy Shayler, Vice Chairperson; Douglas Frank, Treasurer; John Ricci, member
- Absent:
- By Telephone:
- By Teams: Richard Ewell, Secretary;
- Others present: Dr. Craig Clark, Executive Director; Melissa Pingitore, ACIDA Assistant Director; Barb Benjamin, Operations Director; Edmund Russell III, Esq. Hodgson Russ LLP

BOARD MINUTES

- Approval of the December 11, 2025 minutes - A motion was made by John Ricci and seconded by Randy Shayler to approve the minutes. No Discussion. Approved/passed. 5-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION – DISCUSSION OF CONTRACTUAL/LEGAL ISSUE

- No Executive Session

TREASURERS REPORT

- Financials – A motion was made by and seconded by to approve the financial report. No discussion. Approved/passed No Financials
- A motion was made by Douglas Frank and seconded by Randy Shayler for the LDC to invoice the IDA for \$500,000.00 for the IDA Service Agreement with the LDC for project and direct business assistance and attraction activities.

Discussion was on putting the money in a money market account so it would be interest bearing. Approved/passed 5-0

ACTION ITEMS

- Resolution regarding additional policies. – Edmund explained that we need to approve a remote meeting policy so we can meet like we do for the IDA meetings. The difference between the remote meeting policy and the other policies is that a public hearing must be held. Edmund is asking the board to authorize Craig to schedule a public hearing. Edmund suggested we schedule the public hearing the same day as the UTEP Public Hearing. Then at the next board meeting in February, we could adopt the resolution for remote attendance. **A motion was made by John Ricci and seconded by Randy Shayler to authorize the Executive Director to schedule a Public Hearing for the remote meeting policy. No further discussion. Approved/passed 5-0**

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Craig reported that we have two applications for the LDC that Mike will be reviewing and bringing to the board in the near future. Melissa has done a press release from the IDA about the LDC and we would like board approval before we release it. Discussion was held regarding the LDC was formed to help companies that may want low interest loans. If the board approves the press release, we will release to the local media and then put it on social media. The press release was reviewed by the board and any suggestions and/or corrections will be made before being release. The approves the release of the press release with additions/adjustments as discussed.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

CALENDAR

- **Next Meeting:** TBA following the regular ACIDA Board Meeting, schedules at 10:00am at Crossroads Conference Center, Belmont, NY 14813

ADJOURNMENT

- With no other business, a **motion to adjourn, at 11:34am was made by Richard Ewell and seconded by John Ricci. Carried by a vote of 5-0 to adjourn the meeting.**

Respectfully submitted
Barb Benjamin
Operations Director

**ALLEGANY COUNTY CORPORATIONLOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
RESOLUTION APPROVING REMOTE ACCESS POLICY**

A regular meeting of Allegany County Local Development Corporation (the "Corporation") was convened in public session at the Crossroads Commerce & Conference Center, 6087 NYS Route 19N, Suite 100, Belmont, Allegany County, New York on February 12, 2026 at 10:00 a.m., local time.

The meeting was called to order by the (Vice) Chair of the Corporation and, upon roll being called, the following board of directors of the Corporation were:

PRESENT:

Judy Hopkins	Chairperson
Randy Shayler	Vice-Chairperson
Richard Ewell	Secretary
Douglas Frank	Treasurer
John Ricci	Member

ABSENT:

CORPORATION STAFF PRESENT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING:

Craig R. Clark, P.E., Ph.D.	Executive Director
Melissa A. Pingitore	Assistant Director
Barb Benjamin	Operations Director

The following resolution was offered by _____, seconded by _____, to wit:

Resolution No. 0226-_____

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A CERTAIN REMOTE ACCESS POLICY OF ALLEGANY
COUNTY LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.**

WHEREAS, Allegany County Local Development Corporation (the "Corporation") is authorized and empowered by the provisions of 402 and Section 1411 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York, to promote community and economic development and the creation of jobs for the citizens of Allegany County, New York (the "County") by, among other things, promoting the community and economic development of the County, and creating jobs for the citizens of the County; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director of the Corporation (A) caused notice of a public hearing of the Corporation (the "Public Hearing"), to hear all persons interested in the Remote Access Policy being contemplated by the Corporation with respect to meetings of the Corporation, to be posted on January 23, 2026 on the Corporation's website, (B) caused notice of the Public Hearing to be published on January 23, 2026 in Olean Times Herald, a newspaper of general circulation available to the residents of Allegany County, New York, (C) conducted the Public Hearing on February 4, 2026 at 6:30 pm local time, at the Crossroads Commerce & Conference Center, 6087 NYS Route 19N, Suite 100, Belmont, Allegany County, New York, and (D) prepared a report of the Public Hearing (the "Public Hearing Report") fairly summarizing the views presented at such Public Hearing and caused copies of said Public Hearing Report to be made available to the board of directors of the Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the board of directors of the Corporation desire to approve and adopt the Remote Access Policy; and

WHEREAS, copies of a draft of the Remote Access Policy have been presented to the board of directors of the Corporation and the board of directors of the Corporation have reviewed the drafts of the Remote Access Policy at this meeting;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CORPORATION, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Corporation hereby approves the Remote Access Policy, presented and reviewed by the board of directors of the Corporation, a copy of which is attached hereto as Schedule A.

Section 2. The Corporation hereby authorizes the Chair, Vice Chair and the Executive Director of the Corporation to take all steps necessary to implement the matters described in Schedule A attached hereto.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The question of the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly put to a vote on roll call, which resulted as follows:

Judy Hopkins	VOTING	_____
Randy Shayler	VOTING	_____
Richard Ewell	VOTING	_____
Douglas Frank	VOTING	_____
John Ricci	VOTING	_____

The foregoing Resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) SS.:
COUNTY OF ALLEGANY)

I, the undersigned _____ of Allegany County Local Development Corporation (the “Issuer”), DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared the foregoing annexed extract of the minutes of the meeting of the board of directors of the Issuer, including the Resolution contained therein, held on February 12, 2026 with the original thereof on file in my office, and that the same is a true and correct copy of said original and of such Resolution contained therein and of the whole of said original so far as the same relates to the subject matters therein referred to.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that (A) all board of directors of the Issuer had due notice of said meeting; (B) said meeting was in all respects duly held; (C) pursuant to Article 7 of the Public Officers Law (the “Open Meetings Law”), said meeting was open to the general public, and due notice of the time and place of said meeting was duly given in accordance with such Open Meetings Law; and (D) there was a quorum of the board of directors of the Issuer present throughout said meeting.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that, as of the date hereof, the attached Resolution is in full force and effect and has not been amended, repealed or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the Issuer on February
• _____, 2026.

Title:

(SEAL)

SCHEDULE A
REMOTE ACCESS POLICY
- SEE ATTACHED -