



**May 17, 2018
Meeting Minutes**

CALL TO ORDER– Chair Joseph Hauryski called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM in the STC conference room.

ATTENDANCE

Chemung County – Donna Draxler; Randy Reid; Tom Sweet, Tom Tranter

Schuyler County – Timothy O’Hearn; Kristin VanHorn; Judy McKinney Cherry; Dennis Fagan

Steuben County – Amy Dlugos; Joe Hauryski; Jack Wheeler; Jamie Johnson; Scott VanEtten; Steve Maio

STC Staff – Marcia Weber; Maggie Costello; Victoria Ehlen; Brittany McKerlie; Chelsea Robertson; Stephanie Yezzi; Yvonne Saxton

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – On a motion duly made (Draxler/Johnson) and carried, the minutes of the March 15, 2018 meeting were approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AUDIT AND BUDGET AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEES

1. **Abstract of Claims** – The audit committee reviewed abstracts totaling \$34,023.22. On a motion duly made (Tranter/Draxler) and carried, the abstracts were approved.
2. **Audit** – Auditor Richard McNeilly presented the 2017 audit report to the Audit and Budget and Personnel Committees, which met jointly for this purpose.
It was a clean audit, and Brittany McKerlie was commended for her work. On a motion duly made (Fagan/McKinney Cherry) and carried, the 2017 audit was accepted as presented.

REGIONAL PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

1. Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) –

Victoria Ehlen reported that ARC applications will be due in the STC office in September and that prospective sponsors have expressed interest in applying.

Marcia spoke about the ARC Conference that she, Victoria Ehlen, Chelsea Robertson, and Amy Dlugos attended in Washington DC in March. She stated that a very interesting presentation concerned the data and research reports available from ARC at their website, www.arc.gov. Research projects help ARC and its state and regional offices monitor socioeconomic trends and quantify challenges, among other things. Of particular interest was data from NORC at the University of Chicago. This was data regarding the impact of the opioid crisis on life expectancy in Appalachia. The mapping tool is available at overdosemappingtool.norc.org, and it provides data about the opioid crisis as well as other useful information, such as health metrics.

2. **Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDs)** – On a motion duly made (McKinney Cherry/Johnson) and carried, the CEDs was approved, following Victoria’s

explanation of its content and approval by the Economic Development Policy and Strategy Committee in March.

- 3. Regional Leadership Conference** – Donna Draxler said that she has had some attendees tell her how very happy they were with all aspects of the conference, and how they highly recommend that municipalities avail themselves of all the information and training the classes have to offer. Chelsea Robertson was absent today, so she will update the Board on the 2018 Regional Leadership Conference at the next meeting on June 21, 2018.

OTHER BUSINESS

- 1. Other** –Marcia's Retirement Party at 4:30 on Wednesday, June 13th at the Corning Museum of Glass Amphitheater Hot Shop.
- 2. Next Board Meeting** – The next board meeting will be on June 21, 2018.

ADJOURN – on a motion duly made (Johnson/Draxler) and carried, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 AM.