



Planning Board

Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello
County Executive

William Santos
Chairman

Monroe County Planning Board Meeting Minutes, October 24, 2024

A meeting of the Monroe County Planning Board (MCPB) was held on October 24, 2024, at 3:30pm, in person, via Zoom, and live streamed on YouTube.

Members Present: William Santos, MCPB Chair; Mike Wiedemer, Vice Chair (via zoom); Dave Watson, citizen member; Millie Sefranek, citizen member; Richard Tantalo, Dir. of Public Safety

Alternates Present: Adrienne Green, Law Dept. (for Deputy Co. Exec. Jeff McCann); Laura Smith, Law Dept. (for Chief of Staff, Asst. Co. Exec. Amy Grower); Joe Taddeo, Finance (for Robert Franklin, Dir. of Finance); Sean Murphy, DES (for Mike Garland, Dir. of Environmental Services)

Planning Staff Present: Yixuan Lin, Sr. Planner, Secretary to the Board; Lisa Huntoon, Asst. to the Secretary to the Bd.

Others Present: Aviation Department: Allison Lia, Associate Engineer
Monroe Community College: Quent Rhodes, Assoc. VP – Facilities; Antonia Custodio, Director, Engineering Svcs & Downtown Campus

Chairman Santos called the meeting to order at 3:40 pm.

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 26, 2024 MEETING MINUTES:

Motion: Mr. Watson **Seconded:** Ms. Sefranek **Vote:** Motion Approved

ANNOUNCEMENTS and COMMUNICATIONS:

A Land Use Decision-Making training workshop is scheduled for Wednesday, October 30, 2024 from 4:30pm – 9:00pm. The CLE application is pending.

ACTION ITEMS:

- a) Amend the 2024-2029 Capital Improvement Program and the 2024 Capital Budget to expand the scope of the project from “Acquire/Replace a Rescue Firefighting Safety Vehicle (R3)” to “Acquire/Replace Airport Rescue Firefighting Safety Vehicles” and increase the project funding in the amount of \$1,500,000, making the total project funding \$3,000,000.

Presenter: Allison Lia, Aviation Department

Discussion: Ms. Lia explained that originally only one Airport Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) vehicle was to be replaced but they have a second vehicle which was purchased in 2009 that is now at its useful life of 15 years. They would like to increase the budget to purchase a second vehicle to keep their ARFF index up. The Airport is working with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to secure a grant in 2025 for this this project. The project will be funded by 90% FAA, 5% state and 5% local.

Ms. Lia provided the below information in response to questions from the Board:

- Replacement is typically at 15 years as that is the useful life of an ARFF vehicle. As they get older the maintenance on them increases and more difficult to find parts.
- Some old vehicles do get reused for training or as backup.

Motion: Mr. Murphy

Seconded: Mr. Taddeo

Vote: Motion Approved

- b) Amend the 2024-2029 Capital Improvement Program and the 2024 Capital Budget to expand the scope of the project from “Viaduct Rehabilitation” to “Viaduct and Bridge Rehabilitation” and to increase the funding for the project in the amount of \$5,000,000, making the total project funding \$6,500,000

Presenter: Allison Lia, Aviation Department

Discussion: Ms. Lia shared the project was initially created to do maintenance on the viaduct but some yellow flags were noted during the recent inspection by New York State Department of Transportation on the entrance roadway bridge over Brooks Avenue. They want to get to these problems now before they become red flags and require more work. They will apply for an FAA Grant with funding of 90% FAA, 5% state and 5% local.

Ms. Lia provided the below information in response to questions from the Board:

- The bridge was originally built in 1989.
- Time frame - currently doing investigative/design work to determine the extent of what is needed. Plan is to design over the winter and hope for construction next year.

Motion: Mr. Watson

Seconded: Mr. Wiedemer

Vote: Motion Approved

c) Amend the 2024-2029 Capital Improvement Program and 2024 Capital Budget to add a project entitled "MCC Downtown Campus Career Center" in the amount of \$14,500,000.

Presenter: Sean Murphy, Department of Environmental Services

Discussion: Mr. Murphy presented a new project which entails a simple renovation of the 4th floor at the MCC downtown campus. This would facilitate RochesterWorks!, New York State Department of Labor (DOL), and some MCC staff all working in the same space. They would be providing workforce development, career training, and other resources to the community. The three partners would co-locate to the new location. The space is 24,000 sf and will require demolition, abatement, and wall buildouts to be completed. There is external funding by ESD, SUNY, foundational grants and congressional grants. The Monroe County contribution would be \$2.95 million.

Mr. Murphy provided the below information in response to questions from the Board:

- Currently the space is unoccupied
- Partners will meet to discuss their particular needs and they will share common spaces, such as a conference room.
- RochesterWorks! will hold the main lease and the other tenants will sublease.
- There may be other potential partners in the future if there is space available.

Motion: Mr. Tantalo

Seconded: Ms. Sefranek

Vote: Motion Approved

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Handed out the proposed 2025 Planning Board meeting schedule. Requested comments be returned by November 15, 2024

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:

- November 21, 2024 at 3:30 pm

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Mr. Murphy

Seconded: Mr. Watson

Adjournment: 4:00 pm

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