

**Minutes of the
Clinton Grant Facilitation Corporation
April 19, 2021**

Due to COVID-19, the meeting of the Clinton Grant Facilitation Corporation held on Monday, April 19, 2021 was livestreamed via GoToMeeting.

The meeting was called to order by Trent Trahan at 12:07 p.m., via GoToMeeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Trent Trahan, Chairperson
David Hoover, Vice Chairperson
Keith Defayette, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer
Michael Zurlo, Secretary
Kim Murray, Assistant Secretary
John VanNatten, Member
Mark Leta, Member

STAFF PRESENT: Renee McFarlin, Executive Director
George Cregg, Esq., Agency Counsel
Dorothy Brunell, Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT: Troy Baraby, Co-Owner, South Junction Enterprises, LLC

T. Trahan stated there was a *quorum* present.

T. Trahan waived the reading of the notice of the meeting published in the *Press Republican* on April 15, 2021.

Reading and Consideration of the Draft Minutes of the meeting of the Clinton Grant Facilitation Corporation (CGFC) of March 22, 2021.

T. Trahan asked if there were any questions regarding the draft minutes of the March 22, 2021 meeting of the Clinton Grant Facilitation Corporation (CGFC) and there were none.

On a motion by M. Leta, and seconded by J. VanNatten, it was unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the March 22, 2021 meeting of the CGFC.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Old Business

There was no old business to discuss.

New Business

South Junction Enterprises, LLC Project

R. McFarlin advised that as discussed at the April 12, 2021 meeting of the County of Clinton Industrial Development Agency (CCIDA), a resolution is before the Clinton Grant Facilitation Corporation (CGFC)

Board for South Junction Enterprises' application to the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) for grants totaling \$1.4 million. At the April 12, 2021 meeting of the CCIDA, T. Baraby, co-owner of South Junction Enterprises, LLC, provided the Board with a detailed description of their Project.

T. Baraby of South Junction Enterprises expressed his thanks to the CGFC Board members and staff. He indicated that over the past approximately four years, South Junction Enterprises has quadrupled their rail car volumes and numbers. He stated that with this grant with the NYSDOT, the company would be able to move even closer to their overall goals.

M. Zurlo asked T. Baraby if they could periodically update the CGFC on their status regarding additional industries or businesses in the area using their rail facilities. M. Zurlo stated that an update every six or twelve months would help the CGFC know how the grant has benefited the community. T. Baraby indicated that they would be happy to provide the requested updates.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION TO NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SOUTH JUNCTION ENTERPRISES, LLC

The following resolution was offered by K. Defayette, seconded by M. Zurlo, to wit:

Resolution No. 04-21-02

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CLINTON GRANT FACILITATION CORPORATION TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING TO THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RELATING TO THE SOUTH JUNCTION ENTERPRISES, LLC PROJECT.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of Section 1411 of the Not-For-Profit Corporation Law of the State of New York, as amended (the "Enabling Act") and Revenue Ruling 57-187 and Private Letter Ruling 200936012, the members of the County of Clinton Industrial Development Agency adopted a resolution on July 17, 2017 (A) authorizing the incorporation of Clinton Grant Facilitation Corporation (the "Corporation") under the Enabling Act and (B) appointing the initial members of Corporation; and;

WHEREAS, on March 29, 2019, a certificate of incorporation was filed with the New York Secretary of State's Office (the "Certificate of Incorporation") creating the Corporation; and

WHEREAS, 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 Clinton County, New York (the "County") by, among other things, facilitating the economic development of the County and the adjoining counties of Essex and Franklin (collectively, the "Grant Area") through the receipt and administration of gifts, grants, loans, or contributions relating to any portion of the Grant Area from, and enter into contracts or other transactions with, the United States and the State of New York or any Corporation of either of them, any municipality, any public or private corporation or any other legal entity; and

WHEREAS, South Junction Enterprises, LLC (the "Company") is undertaking a project (the "Project") consisting of (i) the construction of third rail siding for transloading spanning approximately 1,750 feet of railroad track to accommodate additional railcars, (ii) the construction of a storage silo and pit system, (iii) the construction of an additional storage garage and (iv) the undertaking of paving and asphalt improvements to the upper transload roadway at the Company's existing bulk transfer facility located on South Junction Road in the City of Plattsburgh, Clinton County, New York to expand rail

capacity in order to meet increased demand for rail shipments in Clinton County and surrounding regions;
and

WHEREAS, in connection with the Project, the Company will be submitting an application (the “Application”) to the New York State Department of Transportation (“NYSDOT”) for grant funding related to the Project as set forth in the Application, a draft of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A;

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the Corporation’s corporate purposes as set forth in the Certificate of Incorporation, the Corporation wishes to submit the completed Application to NYSDOT as the sponsor of the Project;

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

Section 1. The Corporation hereby authorizes the Executive Director of the Corporation to submit the completed Application to NYSDOT.

Section 2. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

Trent Trahan	VOTING	YES
David Hoover	VOTING	YES
Michael Zurlo	VOTING	YES
Keith Defayette	VOTING	YES
Kim Murray	VOTING	YES
John VanNatten	VOTING	YES
Mark Leta	VOTING	YES

The resolution was thereupon declared duly adopted.

There being no further business to discuss, J. VanNatten motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:15 p.m., seconded by K. Murray.

Trent Trahan, Chairperson