

**Watertown Empire Zone
Administrative Board Meeting
May 2006**

The Watertown Empire Administrative Board meeting was held on Wednesday, May 24, 2006, in the Conference Room, City Municipal Building, 245 Washington Street, Watertown, New York.

Members Present: Chairman Peter Clough, James Fitzpatrick, Robert Lawlor, Tom Cesta, William Welbourn, and Joseph Butler.

Also Present: Michael N'Dolo of Camoin Associates via conference call.

Chairman Clough opened the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

Minutes

Motion was made by Mr. Lawlor to approve the March ZAB meeting minutes. Motion was seconded by Mr. Cesta and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Cesta reviewed and explained the Empire Zone balance sheet.

Motion was made by Mr. Cesta to approve the treasurer's report. Motion was seconded by Mr. Lawlor and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Boundary Revisions

The May 16 EZDB meeting was cancelled and will be rescheduled for a yet to be announced date in June.

Applications for Certification

There were no applications to be reviewed during the May meeting. Benefit Services Group did enter a request to change the address listed on their certificate.

Motion was made by Mr. Lawlor and seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick to approve the change of address for this business. Motion was carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Other Business

The Board discussed the opening of a new business in the Ames building by Hacketts Hardware who are scheduling to open in October 2006 and will have approximately 60 employees.

Chairman Clough asked if their opening is definite.

Mr. N'Dolo said the business has the application packet and cannot claim any benefits until the Board approves their application.

Additional Appointments

Mr. N'Dolo reminded the Board that there are appointments that need to be made to the Board as three positions will expire and one will need to be filled.

Chairman Clough said that he will ask Council for recommendations.

Motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Cesta, seconded by Mr. Fitzpatrick and carried with all voting in favor thereof.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Amanda C. Lewis
Deputy City Clerk