ROCKLAND ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, October 15, 2026 – 11:00 A.M.
254 SOUTH MAIN STREET, SUITE 410, NEW CITY, NY 10956
LIVE STREAM: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxB9rFToOYHVNts_Rb61uzw

Members Present: Tim Riley, Peg Zugibe, Mark Geller, Irene Coughlin

Staff: Steven Porath, Executive Director; Heidi Vandiver, Deputy Executive Director; Sarah McTasney, Business Relations Manager; Siddhantika Thorat, Operations Analyst

REAC Counsels: Dan Birmingham, Esq.; Rudy Zodda. Esq.

Guests: Sherriff Louis Falco

Noting that sufficient advance public notice had been given and there being a quorum present, the regular meeting of the Rockland Economic Assistance Corp. was called to order at 11:20 a.m. by H. Vandiver.

Roll Call:
Present: Tim Riley, Peg Zugibe, Mark Geller, Irene Coughlin

Call to Order H.Vandiver

- Irene Coughlin disclosed a conflict of interest concerning the Sheriff Foundation potential partnership and recused herself from voting on that matter.

New Business

- Sheriff Louis Falco presented a potential partnership involving a newly formed law enforcement foundation serving Rockland County law enforcement agencies. He described potential support for officer training, technology, and equipment, and officer wellness, including mental health services. He identified an initial funding request of $100,000. Board members asked about program budgeting,

outcomes, eligibility, and permissible use of funds. No funding award was approved at this meeting.

Executive Session

- Following the Sheriff's departure, a motion was made by Peggy Zugibe, seconded by Tim Riley, to enter executive session for a stated legal consultation. The motion carried. A motion by Peggy Zugibe, seconded by Tim Riley, to return to open session carried. H.Vandiver stated that no vote was taken in executive session.

New Business cont.

- Sheriff Foundation Potential Partnership – Upon return to open session, the Board approved a motion authorizing REAC staff, in consultation with counsel, to explore the feasibility of a potential partnership with the Sheriff's Foundation and develop a draft partnership agreement for future consideration.

Old Business

- There was no old business.

Treasurer's Report

- PARIS Five-Year Budget
    - The Board discussed the State required five-year PARIS budget and the limitations of the standard reporting categories. The REAC Finance Committee separately reviewed the budget and recommended its approval. Upon return to regular Board business, the Board voted to approve the five-year PARIS budget for submission.
    - Motion made by Tim Riley, seconded by Mark Geller. Motion carried.
- September Financials
    - Treasurer Irene Coughlin reported that there was no activity in REAC account during September and that account balances wer unchanged from August.
    - Motion made by Irene Coughlin, seconded by Peggy Zugibe to approve the September minutes. Motion carried.

Minutes of the meeting were read and approved by members.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 am.