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SUMMARY OF ONE SENECA COMMUNITY BRIEFING & PREPARED EXCLUSIVELY FOR SENECA COUNTY CHAMBER INVESTORS



COMMUNITY BRIEFING - AUG. 17, 2023



THIS ISSUE

Keep up to date with community happenings that impact business in our community

COUNTY MANAGER UPDATE: MITCH ROWE

- Housing needs assessment study has been completed
- This Tuesday the County Board of Supervisors Committee agenda will see a presentation discussing results of report
- A resolution will be considered to set a public hearing for Sept.
 12th for the public and community stakeholders to weigh in on the findings of the report as well housing in Seneca County
- Grow Seneca Initiative Special Committee met Thursday Aug. 10th and will soon solicit and accept small business applications
- Application forms to request funding were sent to county attorney for legal review; currently underway
- \$500,000 of ARPA money was allocated to the Grow Seneca Initiative for funding to help small businesses
- Broadband effort: Seneca
 County has been working with
 a firm called New York
 Engineering. Final report and
 study should be delivered in
 very near future

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

GOV. HOCHUL SLAMS MAYOR ADAMS', NYC'S HANDLING OF MIGRANT CRISIS IN LEGAL FILING

<u>Yahoo News:</u> 12 page filing issued in response to litigation over the state's right to shelter responsibilities. NYC has taken states to court over their responsibilities. State identified 12 sites it believes is sufficient for housing during migrant crisis.

GOVERNOR HOCHUL SIGNS LEGISLATION ENSURING PREVAILING WAGE FOR CONSTRUCTION

WORKERS PERFORMING CERTAIN UTILITY WORK

NYS: Press release from governor's office; legislation passed and amends labor law to enact a law that protects workers doing excavation or opening of a street.

A HANDS-OFF LABOR DEPARTMENT RETREATS FROM WAGE THEFT ENFORCEMENT

New York Focus: Priority under Cuomo; Labor Department is severely understaffed. Unpaid wages a big problem in NYS (construction, hospitality, and domestic work industries)

BATTLE OVER INJECT SITES

NY Daily News: Prevalent in NYC/downstate. Injection sites currently in operation in East Harlem & Washington Heights run by non-profits. Sites set up to help prevent fatal overdoses. "Safe places" for people to inject drugs.

NEW TAX CREDITS COULD POWER HIGHER ED FACILITIES IMPROVEMENTS AND CLEAN ENERGY PROJECTS

Rochester Business Journal: Part of the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022. Investments in qualifying energy projects are eligible to receive a credit worth up to 50% of the project cost.

ROCHESTER CASINO NOW OFF THE TABLE AS COMPACT NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUE BETWEEN STATE AND SENECA NATION

NBC News Buffalo: State and Seneca Nation are in negotiations on a new compact agreement. A new casino was being discussed, but deal did not go through. Rochester will not see a new casino.

DEVELOPMENT SLOWS DECISIVELY IN MANHATTAN, AND 30% CITYWIDE

The Real Deal: Real estate development and building permits are down in NYS, more than they ever have been since the year 2010.

AT LONG LAST- NYS TAX DEPARTMENT RELEASES FINAL PROPOSED REGULATIONS IMPLEMENTING 2014 CORPORATE TAX REFORM

<u>JDSupra:</u> Since 2014 corporate tax reform laws were written, drafting has been ongoing. After 40 draft versions, a final draft will go to public hearing.



THIS WEEK'S LOCAL HEADLINES

BUDGET-FRIENDLY DESTINATION

<u>Finger Lakes Times:</u> Survey done covering 3,000 wedding couples; Seneca Falls was ranked 66th nationally, with the Finger Lakes just under that.

CAYUGA LAKE WATERSHED NETWORK TO CELEBRATE 25 YEARS

<u>Finger Lakes Times:</u> Celebration event at the Cayuga Shoreline Events Center next week.

OFFICIALS TOAST WAYNE COUNTY BROADBAND EXPANSION

Finger Lakes Times: \$14.6 million dollar project bringing broadband to many people.



JOIN US FOR THE NEXT ONE SENECA MEETING

When: Thursday mornings at 10 a.m.

Where: Zoom

Meeting ID: 885 5612 6750

Password: 974642

Open to members of the community who want to know things that are happening or have something to add to the conversation.



SENEGA GOUNTY CHAMBER UPDATE: PRESIDENT & GEO JEFF SHIPLEY

 Recording sessions for Communications Director Samantha Goodman to create a newsletter and send out to the community via the website each week

SUPERVISOR BOB SHIPLEY

- Looking into coming out with an emergency declaration regarding the migrant crisis
- Senator O'Mara suggested counties look into this to help protect themselves

IDA DIRECTOR SARAH DAVIS

- Willard Public Meeting date will not be September 26th any longer due to Board of Supervisors meeting
- The soonest a meeting can be held will be in October

UPCOMING EVENT:



Virtual Business Basics Bootcamp, Thursday August 24th, 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

\$85 to register

Visit this link:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/fast-track-to-business-start-up-micro-enterprise-edition-virtual-registration-698407885787?aff=oddtdtcreator