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



COMMUNITY BRIEFING - MAR. 20, 2025



THIS ISSUE

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

BOB SHIPLEY, SUPERVISOR

- Two resolutions passed to help revitalize the downtown Ovid block; applying for any funding
- Seneca Grow round 2 has been brought up and will be discussed during committee meetings

SARAH DAVIS, IDA

- IDA board meeting happened Monday and audit was approved
- 2 projects are being worked on:
- ITT Gould expansion is looking for help from the IDA in a tax exemption on \$6.2M of equipment costs, resulting in about \$500.000 worth of an exemption
- Project is \$72M
- Public hearing for this project will be in April
- Mayberry Farms soybean roasting facility is being built on 5&20
- · Currently looking for a grant from the DOT

MICHELE BARAN, SBDG

• Bob Griffin is currently in Albany to discuss funding for the SBDC at state level

UPCOMING EVENTS

Chamber U: Financial Literacy @ CFCU 5 p.m. April

Montezuma Winery Grand Opening of new tasting room: Saturday April 12th

Business After Hours April 25th 5-7 p.m. at Ventosa Vineyards

THIS WEEK'S HEADLINES

HOCHUL SOFTENS STANCE ON HIRING COS FIRED OVER STRIKES

Yahoo.com: Gov. Kathleen C. Hochul seems to have opened the door to permitting the roughly 2,000 state prison correctional officers who were fired last week to work for other law enforcement agencies in New York, something that sheriffs across the state have been asking her to do.

STATE LAWMAKERS SEEK TO CREATE NEW JUDICIAL DISTRICT SPECIFIC TO MONROE COUNTY

WHEC.com: Two bills are now in committee in the State Senate and State Assembly, sponsored by Senator Jeremy Cooney and Assembly Member Harry Bronson. They argue that Monroe County has a population higher than all the counties in the seventh district, leading to "less representation" for other counties in the State Supreme Court.

AIRBNB OWNERS CHARGED WITH MANSLAUGHTER FOR FATAL FIRE

Albany Times Union: A couple who own an Airbnb in the hamlet of Salt Point were charged with manslaughter after their rental property burned down while a family was inside, killing two people. Their smoke detectors were not working, though their listing stated there were working detectors in their building. It was not up to fire code either.

GROCERY STORES LAUNCH NEW COALITION TO PUSH FOR WINE SALES IN SUPERMARKETS

City & State: A newly relaunched coalition of grocery stores and business groups want to bring wine to a supermarket near you. Looking to expand on last year's successes in updating the state's liquor laws, the New York State of Wine coalition is pushing to make 2025 the year that the state legalizes the sale of wine in grocery stores. Wegmans is included in local grocery store chains pushing for adding wine to their inventories.

NYS Business Council: Pro-business groups in New York, like the Business Council and Upstate United, oppose the Home Energy Affordability Transition (HEAT) Act (also known as the NY HEAT Act), citing concerns about potential economic harm and the impact on businesses and residents, particularly regarding energy costs and reliance on natural gas.

Join us for the Next one seneca meeting Pro-Business groups oppose the Heat act

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.