

Cattaraugus County Economic Sustainability and Growth Corporation  
Meeting Minutes

December 3, 2025 at 10:30 am- EDPT Conference Room  
Meeting called to order at 10:32 am by Colleen Young

1. Roll Call

The following Board members were in attendance:

- Joseph Keller
- Keri Kerper
- Mary Johnson
- Crystal Abers
- Colleen Young

Additional present:

- Deb Miller- EDPT staff

Board members not in attendance:

- Mike Brisky

2. Approval of meeting minutes from 7/29/25

- Motioned by Mary Johnson
- Seconded by Joseph Keller
- Motion carried

3. Microenterprise Grant

a. Harrison Place Studio presented the completed applications to the CCESGC Board. Greg Merriam gave a quick introduction of Harrison Place Studio and the Microenterprise Program and Mike Thomas presented the businesses that submitted applications.

b. Mike Thomas presented three businesses whose applications were ready for a funding decision:

- Janiga's Sugar Works (Perrysburg)
  1. Motion by Joseph Keller to approve the grant for up to \$35,000
  2. Seconded by Keri Kerper
  3. Motion Carried
- McKune Family Greenhouse (Machias)
  1. Motion by Joseph Keller to deny this project
  2. Seconded by Colleen Young
  3. Motion Carried
- Rabbit Repair (Randolph)
  1. Motion by Keri Kerper to approve the grant for up to \$27,000
  2. Seconded by Mary Johnson
  3. Motion Carried

c. Mike Thomas opened up a discussion regarding the seven other applications that were received.

- Yakisoba's Noodles & Teriyaki

1. Motion by Joseph Keller to hold until he has a Brick and Mortar Building
  2. Seconded by Keri Kerper
  3. Motion Carried
- Eco Lawncare of WNY
    1. Motion by Crystal Abers to deny application
    2. Seconded by Joseph Keller
    3. Motion Carried (Keri Kerper recused)
  - 56 Hickory LLC
    1. Motion by Joseph Keller to deny application
    2. Seconded by Colleen Young
    3. Motion Carried
  - GJC Confections, LLC
    1. Motion by Collen Young to deny application
    2. Seconded by Keri Kerper
    3. Motion Carried
  - ZETS Entertainment
    1. Motion by Crystal Abers to request more information
    2. Seconded by Mary Johnson
    3. Motion Carried
  - Evergreen Floral & Gifts
    1. Motion by Colleen Young to move the project forward
    2. Seconded by Mary Johnson
    3. Motion Carried
  - AKT Combatives of WNY, Inc.
    1. Motion by Keri Kerper to move the project forward
    2. Seconded by Colleen Young
    3. Motion Carried

- d. Diane Church from Harrison Place Studio requested we send her the online training information for the MAP awardees

Motion made by Colleen Young and seconded by Joseph Keller to adjourn at 11:31 am; motion carried.