

**Steuben County IDA
Governance Committee Meeting
January 22, 2026
Minutes**

Present: Mark Alger, Chair
Michelle Caulfield, Member
James Johnson, Executive Director
Jill Staats, Deputy Director

Absent: Sarah Creath, Member

Alger called the meeting to order at 11:40 am.

Caulfield motioned to approve the meeting minutes from September 25, 2025. Alger seconded and the motion passed.

Staats presented an application for benefits from Chauncey Run, LLC, a 5 MW solar project in the Town of Hornellsville. The company applied for sales, mortgage, and property tax assistance. The \$21 million project has a 2:1 benefit to cost ratio and will begin construction in the spring of 2026. No long-term jobs will be created because of the project, but several construction jobs will be created, local spending will be induced, and it advances the state's renewable energy goals. Caulfield motioned to advance the request for assistance to the Board, which was seconded by Alger; the motion passed.

Caulfield motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:43 am, which was seconded by Alger and passed.