

# Community Development Planning Committee

Quarterly Report for FY19 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

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## CDPC Members

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## Purpose

To ensure that the Land Use Plan, Comprehensive Plan, Vision Oneida Plan, Housing Plan, all economic development efforts and land use recommendations are working in coordination with each other to improve the Oneida Tribal community and operations.

## Meetings

The CDPC meets every 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month at 9 a.m. in the Business Committee Conference Room at the Norbert Hill Center.

## Activities Summary

For the 2nd quarter of FY19, three regular CDPC meetings were held in January, February, and March. Two CDPC work sessions were also held, one in January and one February.

## Highlights

### Lacrosse Box

CDPC was able to get funding for a Lacrosse Box for the Oneida Community. In order to keep cost down, DPW and Community members worked together to complete the project. A total of 2,500 has been requested and set aside from the Economic Development, Diversification, and Community Development Fund, none of which have been spent down. DPW utilized internal resources to budget for the initial costs for building.

### 200 Year Celebration

They have identified the Sub Committee's for planning the event. Individual members and initial tasks were given out. They are preparing an article for the Kali about the 200-year celebration.

The 200 Year Celebration team has been working diligently on creating a charter.

Both the Cultural Heritage Site improvements and the 200-year celebration fall in line with the broad goals of the 2017 – 2020 Strategic Plan for *Promoting Positive Community Relations* and *Encouraging Tsi> NiyukwalihoT<sup>^</sup>* (We have everything here to sustain us).

## **Industrial Hemp**

The team was able to plant Industrial Hemp Fields. The team has 10 acres of industrial hemp planted specifically for fiber. 20 acres of industrial hemp planted specifically for grain. 1 acre, a greenhouse, and Oneida Aquaponics are growing Industrial Hemp specifically used for CBD. The fields are growing great.

An industrial hemp pilot project would fall in line with the broad goal of the 2017 – 2020 Strategic Plan for *Promoting Positive Community Relations* and *Encouraging Tsi> NiyukwalihoT^* (We have everything here to sustain us).

## **Upper Oneida Project**

Upper Oneida Project is to transform the Upper Oneida area into a park/multi-functional area. We are contracting an engineering firm. Preparations have begun on a draft CIP Package for phase 2.

The Upper Oneida Project falls in line with the broad goal of the 2017 – 2020 Strategic Plan for *Promoting Positive Community Relations* and the overall project is in line with the broad goals of *Encouraging Tsi> NiyukwalihoT^* (We have everything here to sustain us) and *Inspiring Yukwatsistay^a* (Our fire, our spirit within each of us).

## **Food Innovation Center**

The Oneida Food Innovation Center will provide a visible anchor to our integrated Agricultural Strategy by an expanded facility to teach people how to process and prepare healthy native foods. It will serve not only Oneida tribal members but also fresh food producers, entrepreneurs, and those looking for jobs in the food service industry.

The Food Innovation Center is continuing to move forward. The Food Innovation Center is seeking federal funds along with tribal funds to sustain the project.

A centralized food center would be in line with *Encouraging Tsi> NiyukwalihoT^* (We have everything here to sustain us).

## **Energy Team**

Members from the energy team along with employees from Oneida Gaming partook in a microgrid tour at the Gordon Bubolz Nature Preserve in Appleton. The outcome from the tour will hopefully generate some innovative ideas for Oneida. The Energy Team is currently drafting a proposal for the Tribal Energy Development Capacity (TEDC) Grant. The energy team is referencing the Strategic Energy Plan in the TEDC grant proposal based off input during

workshops and internal interactions. The Strategic Energy Plan has yet to be formally approved and the energy team hopes to accomplish that this summer. The Tribal Resiliency Program has issued a grant and Mike Troge and Jeff Mears will be drafting a proposal for the tribe. Mike Troge attended the National Adaptation Forum in Madison that focused on emergency planning for climate change and other types of stresses that will be put on our community, as well as an emphasis on sea level rise. The Oneida Nation is a member of the Midwest Travel Energy Resource Association (MTERA) and Mike Troge attended a workshop in Milwaukee where he was successful in gaining two members and the organizations momentum has propelled MTERA to go National.

### **Economic Development, Diversification and Community Development Funds**

The C&EDD has been providing an update to the CDPC every other month on the balance, expended funds, and obligated funds in the Economic Development, Diversification and Community Development Funds account.

#### **Reporting Schedule**

- **Monthly:** Energy Team, Small Housing, Low Income Housing Tax Credits, Upper Oneida, Food Innovation Center, and 200 Year Celebration
- **Bi-Monthly:** (January, March, May, July, September, November) Economic Development, Diversification and Community Development Funds
- **Quarterly:** (February, May, August, November) Cultural Heritage Site Plan and Capital Improvement Projects Status