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Meeting Minutes: May 30, 2017

A special meeting was convened to discuss a proposed donation to the Eastern States Aerospace Museum (ESAM).

Directors Present: R. Usas, S. Osswald, B. Nissley, J. Stuhr

Others Present: J. Hartzel, S. Stuhr

Excused: T. Conley

Meeting Commenced: 7:33 AM

Proposal: ESAM Concorde Replica display

The Eastern States Aerospace Museum, based at the Schenectady County Airport, has recently acquired a half-size replica of the Concorde SST, a supersonic jet once used for international travel by British Airways and Air France. The Concorde flew between the US and Europe from 1976 to 2003. The museum plans to re-assemble the replica and display it in front of their Glenville building, facing Route #50. This replica, when installed, will commemorate supersonic commercial air travel and will further enhance the attractiveness of the air museum, Schenectady Airport and, ultimately, the town of Glenville, providing a boost to the economic welfare of the community.

The museum has determined that cost to re-assemble and display this exhibit will be approximately \$20,000 and donations are being solicited. It is proposed that the GLDC donate \$2000 from the loan recovery account. This donation is to be accompanied by a request to other community organizations to match that amount. A fundraiser will be held on July 29 at the museum and the donation will be announced at that event.

Discussion: GLDC members discussed the potential benefits of using unrestricted funds to support ESAM. While the specific benefit to the Town may be difficult to quantify, it was agreed that there are educational and expanded tourism benefits to such a donation. There may also be benefit to the GLDC through visible involvement in a significant Town event.

"It's all right here!"

Resolutions and Motions

The Board agreed to continue discussions as a better understanding of the benefit to the TOWN and the GLDC is developed.

Motion to Adjourn: Usas/J. Stuhr

Meeting Recessed: 7:57 AM

The GLDC continued with the normally scheduled working session.