



Central New York Regional Planning & Development Board
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Paul W. Pinckney, Chairman David V. Bottar, Executive Director

MINUTES

Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board Board of Directors Meeting April 29, 2026

ATTENDANCE

Board members: Pamela D. Caraccioli, Mary Ellen Chesbro, Patrick Clune, Elaine Denton, Edward Gilson, Jennifer Haines, Trisha Hiemstra, David Knapp, Kim Malone, William McGovern, Mary Ann Messinger, Paul W. Pinckney, Scott Steve, Melanie L. Vilardi, Troy W. Waffner, Nicole Watts, and Stephen Zabriskie

Guests: Philip Church, Julie Fleck, Michael Miller, Joseph Nehme, Morgan Spaulding, Jeremiah Thompson

Staff: David Bottar, Erica Herman, Carrie Hollis, Bruce Keplinger, Amanda Mazzoni, Aaron McKeon, Aaron Otis, Lindsay Speer, and Isabel Willson

1. CALL TO ORDER

Paul Pinckney called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm at the offices of the Central New York Regional Planning and Development Board in Syracuse, New York. Mr. Pinckney noted the meeting included a zoom link and that several members were participating in the meeting via the link.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA AND MINUTES

A motion was introduced and seconded to accept the agenda and minutes from the February 25, 2026 meeting as presented; the motion was approved unanimously.

3. MICRON TECHNOLOGY, INC. – CNY MEGAFAB PROJECT STATUS REPORT

Joseph Nehme, Senior Manager of External Affairs for Micron Technology, Inc. was introduced and presented a power point presentation summarizing the status of plans by Micron to build a major megafab manufacturing center in Central New York.

Mr. Nehme initiated his remarks by noting that Micron was founded October 5, 1978 and is headquartered in Boise, Idaho. Mr. Nehme noted the company is currently listed 170 on the 2025 Fortune 500 list with FY25 revenue of \$37.4B, 55,000 employees, and 12 manufacturing sites and

13 customer labs located around the world. Major locations include Boise, ID, Manassas, VA, Malaysia, India, Singapore, Taiwan, China, and Japan.

Mr. Nehme continued his remarks by noting that Micron is one of the largest manufacturers of memory storage chips in the world. It was noted that Micron chips can be found in end-to end portfolio for cloud computing, data center operations, PC, mobile communication devices, and embedded computer systems.

Mr. Nehme noted that to meet demand for its memory chips, the company is moving forward with plans to increase U.S.-based DRAM chip production to 40% of the company's global output over the next 20 years through two leading-edge memory fabs in Boise, Idaho, four manufacturing fab facilities at a campus in Clay, NY, and modernizing an existing manufacturing facility in Manassas, Virginia.

Mr. Nehme noted that plans for the megafab center in CNY were announced by Micron in October 2022 and the official groundbreaking for the project took place on January 16, 2026. It was noted that overall, a total of \$100 billion is expected to be invested in the new manufacturing center in Clay, NY along with the creation of 9,000 direct jobs and approximately 40,000 indirect jobs. Mr. Nehme presented several slides that illustrated the overall development plan for the 1,300-acre campus at the intersection of NYS Route 31 and Caughdenoy Road in Clay, including a detailed site plan showing the four manufacturing centers on the campus. Reference was also made to a slide that shows the projected number of construction jobs at the site, which will exceed 4,100 jobs on a cyclical basis from 2026-2042.

Mr. Nehme continued his remarks by referencing the significant public and private infrastructure projects that are being developed to support the Micron including major road, sewer, water and electric service projects that are in the design and construction stage. It was noted the costs for these infrastructure projects are projected to exceed \$1B. Also noted were significant wetland mitigation and other environmental projects which are being developed in the region to support and offset the impact of the project. Mr. Nehme concluded his remarks by noting Micron's community investments to date exceed \$50 million with more funding commitments anticipated in the coming year for education, housing, workforce development, transit, and childcare.

At the conclusion of his remarks, Mr. Nehme answered numerous questions from board members regarding the overall project scope, environmental impacts and mitigation, and community impact across the five-county region. As part of the discussion, it was noted the project has the potential to serve as a major catalyst for the construction of new electric generation facilities in Upstate New York. In addition, Mr. Nehme noted the Micron project is expected to draw a significant number of supply chain companies to Central New York and that communities across the region have an opportunity to support the development of an inventory of shovel-ready development sites to host these companies.

4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Bottar provided a brief report summarizing program activities the office is currently working on including plans to move forward with rolling out and implementing the community forestry initiative. Mr. Bottar also noted that work has been initiated on updating the CNY Comprehensive Economic

Development Strategy, which is a document the agency is expected to update every five years for the federal Economic Development Administration. Mr. Bottar concluded his remarks by noting the next Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for May 27th and the next board meeting is set for June 24th.

5. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Pinckney noted there was no old or new business presented to the board for discussion.

6. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was introduced and seconded to adjourn the meeting; the motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Bottar, Executive Director