



Planning Board

Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello
County Executive

William Santos
Chairman

Monroe County Planning Board Meeting Minutes, March 5, 2026

A meeting of the Monroe County Planning Board (MCPB) was held on March 5, 2026, at 3:00pm, in person, via Zoom, and live streamed on YouTube.

Members Present: William Santos, MCPB Chair; Mike Wiedemer, Vice Chair; Dave Watson, citizen member; Tyrese Bryant, citizen member; Elizabeth McDade, citizen member; Milton Pichardo, citizen member; Victor Sanchez, citizen member; Robert Colby, Legislator (via zoom); Rachel Barnhart, Legislator (via zoom); Adrienne Green, Assistant Co. Exec.; Jennifer Cesario, Dir. of Finance, Richard Tantalo, Dir. of Public Safety; Sean Murphy, Chief of Engineering & Facilities Mgmt Dept. of Environmental Services

Alternates Present: Conor McMahon (for Deputy Co. Exec. Amy Grower); Joe Taddeo, Finance; Kristina Daugherty (Public Safety)

Planning Staff Present: Pat Gooch, Sr. Associate Planner; Yixuan Lin, Sr. Planner, Secretary to the Board; Lisa Huntoon, Asst. to the Secretary to the Bd.

Others Present: Law Department: Josh Pheterson, Sr. Deputy County Attorney; Matthew Schwartz, Sr. Deputy County Attorney; Bridget Cook, Deputy County Attorney
Real Property: Amy Grande, Dir. of Real Property
Public Attendance: Scott Makai, President of Genesee Regional Off-Road Cyclists (GROC)

Chairman Santos called the meeting to order at 3:03 pm.

APPROVAL OF THE March 5, 2026 MEETING MINUTES:

Motion: Mr. Wiedemer

Seconded: Mr. Sanchez

Vote: Motion Approved

ANNOUNCEMENTS and COMMUNICATIONS:

Ms. Yixuan Lin confirmed that all attendees had a copy of the proposed CIP 2027-2032 and informed online participants that a copy would be mailed to them.

CIP PRESENTATION:

Chairman Santos explained to the voting members that, at the conclusion of the CIP process, the Board will recommend the 2027-2032 CIP to the County Executive. He also noted the Board will identify a prioritized list of capital projects for the 2027 budget year. Ms. Yixuan Lin then distributed individual priority-ranking ballots to the Board members.

Introduction of the Proposed 2027-2032 Capital Improvement Program (CIP)

Presenter: Mr. Patrick Gooch

Mr. Gooch provided a PowerPoint presentation that gave a timeline overview of the CIP process and then presented the County Executive's proposed 2027-2032 Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to the Board (attached).

At the end of the presentation, Mr. Gooch reviewed the action items for the Board, regarding the proposed CIP, for the next couple of meetings this month.

Planning Board members stated interest in having the Department of Transportation and Monroe Community College to talk about their CIP projects at one of the next two scheduled board meetings, March 12 or March 19.

CIP ACTION ITEM:

Set date of Public Hearing, on the proposed CIP, for Thursday, March 12, 2026 at 3:00 pm, pursuant to legal notice (attached). Mr. Gooch will give a summary on the proposed CIP at the start of the Public Hearing, before department presentations.

Motion: Mr. Bryant

Seconded: Mr. Watson

Vote: Motion Approved

OTHER ACTION ITEMS:

a) Amend the 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program and 2026 Capital Budget to Add a Project Entitled "Purchase and Renovation of the Former Carestream Building"

Chairman Santos requested a motion to enter executive session pursuant to Public Officers Law section 105(1)(h) to enter executive discussion for the consideration of this item because publicity of this proposed acquisition would substantially affect the value of the property being discussed.

Motion: Mr. Sanchez

Seconded: Mr. Murphy

Vote: Motion Approved

Entered Executive Session. Time: 4:04 p.m.

Chairman Santos requested a motion to end the Executive Session.

Motion: Ms. McDade

Seconded: Ms. Cesario

Vote: Motion Approved

Exited Executive Session: Time 4:37 p.m.

Chairman Santos stated the board exited executive session and were resuming open meeting.

- a) **Amend the 2026-2031 Capital Improvement Program to add a project entitled “Purchase and Renovation of the Former Carestream Building” in an amount not to exceed \$26,000,000; and amend the 2026 Capital Budget to add a project entitled “Purchase and Renovation of the Former Carestream Building” in an amount not to exceed \$26,000,000.**

Motion: Mr. Bryant

Seconded: Mr. Wiedemer

Vote: Motion Approved

OTHER BUSINESS:

None

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:

- March 12, 2025 at 3:00 pm Public Hearing, Department Presentations
- March 19, 2025 at 3:00 pm Department Presentations, CIP Votes

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: Ms. Cesario

Seconded: Mr. Watson

Adjournment: 4:39 pm

