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# Hamburg Industrial Development Agency **Board of Directors Meeting** January 18, 2023, 7:30am Blasdell Village Hall

Present

Bob Reynolds

Tom Moses

Davis Podkulski

**Bob Hutchison** 

Janet Plarr

Andy Palmer

**Excused** 

Cam Hall

Wence Valentin

Jamel Perkins

Guests

Jennifer Strong, Neill & Strong

Mary Doran, HIDA

Francesca Bond, Hamburg Sun

**Executive Director** 

Sean Doyle

### - Pledge of Allegiance

-Roll Call

-Motion to open the board meeting at 7:34am

Moved: Andy Palmer

Seconded: Tom Moses

Ayes: Moses, Podkulski, Hutchison, Plarr, Palmer, Reynolds

Navs: none Carried

-Motion to approve the December 2022 board meeting minutes

Moved: Bob Reynolds

Seconded: Bob Hutchison

Ayes: Moses, Podkulski, Hutchison, Plarr, Palmer, Reynolds

Navs: none Carried

Treasurer, Bob Reynolds, gave an update on the financials. December had a gross income of \$32,605.59 and expenses of \$29,597.06 of which \$28,553.43 consisted of payroll and performance payments which resulted in a net income after expenses of \$3,008.53.

Bob also gave an unaudited wrap up for 2022. Forecasted income for 2022 was \$228,100 vs actual income of \$191,930.62. 2022 expenses were budgeted for \$221,649.32 and actual expenses totaled \$183,951.98 this helped offset the loss of projected income for 2022. Saving on expenses kept the company on budget. December 31, 2021 total liabilities and equity \$1,065,015.11 vs December 31, 2022 \$1,072,993.75 an increase of \$7,978.64.

-Motion to approve the December 2022 Treasurer Report

Moved: Bob Reynolds

Seconded: Janet Plarr

Ayes: Moses, Podkulski, Hutchison, Plarr, Palmer, Reynolds

Nays: none Carried

#### **Executive Director Update:**

- -Johnsons Taphouse closed in December. K&H Industries/Staub as well as Mission Hills will be closing in 2023. K&H Industries is moving along they did go back to the town planning board as their building is projected to be larger than originally planned.
- -Doyle stated he is on a new committee with local IDAs called "Office Space Working Group". Their kick-off meeting was in December. They are determining the percentage of office space that has declined occupancy with the increase in hybrid working situations since the pandemic. They are focused on coming up with adaptive reuse solutions for vacant office buildings.
- -New IDA legislation came out of Albany requiring IDA's to mail via certified mail to all effected taxing jurisdictions notifications of impending resolutions. As well as notification to the appropriate jurisdictions of projects that will be ending within a 2 year time frame. Doyle stated it was most likely designed for IDA's that do not have board representations. HIDA Board has representatives for the various jurisdictions as follows and will adhere to the new policy:

Tom Moses – Village of Hamburg Andy Palmer – Village of Blasdell Davis Podkulski – Frontier School District Cam Hall – Hamburg School District

- -Doyle met with John Gilmour regarding Pitch Incubator and Hamburg IDA
- -Meeting on January 19<sup>th</sup> with Virginia Smith HUBZone
- -ECIDA amended their UTEP to include an economic inclusion policy to maximize opportunities for minorities and women. Their matrix for determining a pilot now includes a MWBE category which could potentially give applicants an extra boost/point and help them move from a 7 to 10 year pilot.
- -Looking ahead, Hamburg State of the Town address is January 26<sup>th</sup> at Hilbert College, HDC annual breakfast meeting is Tuesday January 31<sup>st</sup> at Ilio's and the next HIDA board meeting is February 15, 2023.

#### **New Business**

Membership support of Invest Buffalo Niagara

-Motion to approve a \$5,000 2023 Sponsorship/membership in Invest Buffalo Niagara. Funds marked in 2023Budget

Moved: Bob Reynolds Seconded: Janet Plarr Ayes: Moses, Podkulski, Hutchison, Plarr, Palmer, Reynolds

Nays: none *Carried* 

\* Reminder to the board annual sexual harassment training is required by law for all board members. Training thru current employer is acceptable please forward the HIDA proof of completion. Additionally, Mary will send out a training link to all board members to use if training is not offered/or available by employer.

HIDA Annual Meeting of committee and officer assignments will take place in February. Included in today's meeting packet is a list of committee/responsibilities. Please notify Sean or Mary of any interest in or nominations for positions prior to the February meeting.

-Privilege of the Floor – no comments

## -Motion to adjourn at 7:59am

Moved: Andy Palmer

Seconded: Janet Plarr

Ayes: Moses, Podkulski, Hutchison, Plarr, Palmer, Reynolds

Nays: none Carried

Sincerely,

Sean Doyle, Executive Director

Next meeting: February 15, 2023 7:30AM Blasdell Village Hall