



Hamburg Industrial Development Agency **Board of Directors Meeting** November 15, 2023, 7:30am Blasdell Village Hall

Present

Excused

Guests

Bob Reynolds

Wence Valentin

Jennifer Strong, Neill & Strong

Mary Doran, HIDA

Andy Palmer Davis Podkulski Bob Hutchison Janet Plarr

Cam Hall **Executive Director**

Jamel Perkins Sean Doyle

Tom Moses

- Pledge of Allegiance

-Roll Call

-Motion to open the board meeting at 7:35am

Moved: Andy Palmer

Seconded: Janet Plarr

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

Nays: none Carried

-Motion to approve the October 2023 board meeting minutes

Moved: Janet Plarr

Seconded: Bob Reynolds

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

Nays: none Carried

Treasurer, Bob Reynolds, gave an update on the financials. October had interest income of \$4,108.90 and expenses totaled \$13,710.86 which included payroll. Income over expenses resulted in -\$9,601.96 total liabilities and equity equal \$971,190.36.

-Motion to approve the October 2023 Treasurer Report

Moved: Jamel Perkins

Seconded: Janet Plarr

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

Nays: none Carried

Executive Director Update:

- The commitment letter from Mission Hills has not yet been received as they are changing banks. Unsure if this will close in 2023.
- -K&H/Staub new build reapply, working on the application. The application may not be submitted until the January 2024 board meeting since the December board meeting has been moved up to the 2nd week of the month due to the holidays.
- -Continuing to work with Feedmore on the tax exempt bond financing, working on draft application most likely to be presented to the board in January/February of 2024.
- -Crossroads site working on infrastructure, utilities are there. Doyle will present the site at an upcoming NYSCAR meeting.
- -Jeffrey Boulevard 10 acres owner interested in building a suit to lease, working now on due diligence of site.
- -Benderson Development is continuing to work on their due diligence of the McKinley Mall site as well as the Camp Road industrial site.
- -K&H would like to have the board tour their facility (the expansion project on Elmview), currently looking at a tour immediately following the December 13th board meeting.
- -Blasdell Woodlawn Brownfield Opportunity Area is working with Fisher & Associates, brainstorming ideas to get feedback from residents.
- -Amazon will give a tour to the board in the spring of 2024 after their busy season wraps up.
- -The Executive Committee met and reviewed the ABO website comments and made the appropriate changes to the HIDA website.
- -The Town of Hamburg hired a new Assessor Kim Mercer, Doyle and Doran had a good introductory meeting with her.
- -Pitch Hamburg received approximately 19 applications for its 2nd round of cohorts. This will be narrowed down to 6.
- -WNYSCAR the HIDA won Affiliate of the Year which will be presented on Feb 15, 2024. Doyle will let the board know more details if any board member would like to attend.

New Business -

2024 Meeting Schedule

-Motion to adopt the proposed meeting schedule as presented in the November 15, 2023 HIDA meeting packet.

Moved: Cam Hall

Seconded: Bob Reynolds

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

Nays: none Carried

Pension Payments

-Resolution authorizing the Executive Director and CFO to execute annual pension payments in accordance with employment agreements for Mary Doran and Sean Doyle for the 2023 payroll year.

Moved: Andy Palmer

Seconded: Jamel Perkins

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

Nays: none Carried

Bob Reynolds stated he reviewed the pension figures and they are correct.

Unfinished Business

-Privilege of the Floor - no comments

Bob Reynolds gave an update on the 80 million dollar investment in the Hamburg Ford Plant. The investment is currently part of the union contract that is up for vote on November 17th. If it does not pass it will go back to negotiations. The count right now is too close to call.

-Motion to adjourn at 8:01am

Moved: Tom Moses

Seconded: Davis Podkulski

Ayes: Podkulski, Hutchison, Hall, Reynolds, Hall, Perkins, Moses, Plarr

Nays: none Carried

Sincerely,

Sean Doyle, Executive Director

Next meeting: December 13, 2023 7:30AM Blasdell Village Hall