

2 State Street Auburn, NY 13021

PHONE **(315) 252-3500**

FAX (315) 255-3077

MEETING MINUTES AUBURN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Wednesday, May 18, 2016 Cayuga County Chamber of Commerce 2 State St., Auburn, NY 13021

Board Present: James A. Dacey (Chair & Member of Business)

Robert Byron (Member of Industry)
Michael Quill (Council Member)
Terry Cuddy (Council Member)
Frank DeRosa (Member at Large)
Monika Salvage (School Board Member)
Tricia Ottley (Member at Large)

Tricia Ottley (Member at Large) William Andre (Member at Labor)

Board Excused: Demetrius Murphy (Member at Large)

Staff & Guests: Rick Cook, Hancock & Estabrook
Tracy Verrier, Assistant Treasurer
Karen Tehan, Acting Secretary

Mr. Dacey, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:45 pm noting a quorum was present.

Motion to approve the April regular meeting minutes by Ms. Ottley; seconded by Mayor Quill. All members present voted in favor; motion passed.

BILLS & COMMUNICATIONS

Ms. Verrier reviewed two invoices: \$4400 from Buffington & Hoatland for 2015 audit services and \$4,307.85 from Hancock & Estabrook for work related to the cell tower lawsuit. Mr. Cook indicated that the best chance to recover some of these costs are through modification of the lease. The only reason AIDA is involved in lawsuit is because they are the property owner. Ms. Verrier indicated that the lease income for the property will be \$900 monthly once active and that occasional increases are tied to CPI. The \$1,000 deposit was paid by Crown Castle, but the lease has not started. Motion by Ms. Ottley to pay bills, second by Mayor Quill, all present voted in favor. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ms. Verrier noted income from VG Rentals for the mortgage modification, as well as costs related to legal fees, travel and meeting expenses (including State of the City and County Luncheon).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Board continued conversation on the RFP proposals from the joint meeting held directly before this meeting. Ms. Ottley and Ms. Salvage volunteered to join two CCIDA board members in discussions with Bergmann.

Ms. Verrier reported that she had not heard from Cayuga Community College's attorney regarding the START UP NY MOU, so there is nothing to report.

Ms. Verrier provided a CEDA update, noting that Karen Tehan will be taking over some of Michelle Milewski's duties during the transition. A third party will be doing bookkeeping for CEDA. Ms. Verrier also reported that CEDA is helping the city complete their application for the \$10 million Downtown Revitalization Initiative NYS grant. We are working with Christina Selvek from City Planning, and it is expected that the process will be quick. The projects included could mean opportunities for AIDA. Mayor Quill elaborated on the projects being included in the application.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Verrier reviewed upcoming events.

BOARD MEMBER UPDATES

Ms. Salvage announced that the Auburn Enlarged City School District budget passed (by a margin of 3 to 1). The board discussed unutilized school district properties and questioned if they are available for development. Ms. Verrier noted that they are in the StartUP NY plan as potential properties, but not designated properties. Ms. Ottley inquired about the Dunn & McCarthy site. Mayor Quill explained that the city had done some work to clear it and are considering opportunities to redevelop it, but that it's in a flood plain so there are still some difficulties.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:20pm by Ms. Salvage, seconded by Ms. Ottley. All members present voted in favor; meeting adjourned.

Next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on June 15, 2016 at 5:00pm