

**TOWN OF CLARENCE, ERIE COUNTY
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

MINUTES

May 16, 2019

Chris Kempton called the meeting to order at 8:15 a.m.

Present at the meeting were Robert Dixon, Elaine Wolfe, Clayt Ertel and Chris Kempton. Patrick Johnson and Mary Powell were not present. Also, present were Paul Leone, Jennifer Strong, Steve Bengart, Peter DiCostanzo and Cynthia Rosel.

Minutes of April 18, 2019.

There was a motion to accept the minutes of the April 18, 2019 meeting by Clayt Ertel with a second by Robert Dixon. There was nothing on the question.

VOTE: Ayes: Dixon, Wolfe, Ertel, Kempton. Noes: None
 Recuse: None Absent: Johnson, Powell. Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report

The financial report as of May 16, 2019 was given by Chairman Kempton in the absence of the Treasurer. Mr. Kempton went over the balances in the checking and the money market accounts. The profit and loss statement shows total fees received to date in the amount of \$31,723.89. This amount represents the Agency Fee for the 10075 Main Street LLC Project that closed on April 30, 2019. Interest earned to date is \$5,435.17. Total expenses to date are in the amount of \$26,400.00. The year income to date is \$10,759.06. Mr. Kempton asked if there were any questions on the report. There being none there was a motion made by Elaine Wolfe to approve the Treasurer's Report with a second by Clayt Ertel. There was nothing on the question.

VOTE: Ayes: Dixon, Wolfe, Ertel, Kempton. Noes: None
 Recuse: None Absent: Johnson, Powell. Motion Carried.

Correspondence.

The Town of Hamburg IDA e-mailed a Notice of Public Hearing to the CIDA on Wednesday afternoon. Ms. Rosel e-mailed the Notice to the Board.

New Business.

Mr. Leone talked about a project at 9074 Main Street. Mr. Leone met with Dominic Cortese and received an application for this proposed project. Mr. Leone would like to put it on the agenda for a public hearing for the June 20, 2019 meeting. The application was given to Ms. Strong and will be distributed to the Board Members via e-mail as soon as it is looked over.

Mr. Leone was also contacted by Benchmark for a new business they are proposing on Main Street for a new Sketchers Store. This is all retail and therefore not eligible for benefits through the CIDA.

Mr. Kempton informed the Board members that the New York State Comptroller's Office contacted the CIDA office to inform us that the Comptroller's Office is going to conduct an Audit on the CIDA. Mr. Kempton and Mr. Leone met with two gentlemen from the Office of the State Comptroller on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 to go over the process. It is a random audit. One of the gentlemen will contact the CIDA office to set up an appointment to start the process sometime next week.

Old Business.

Mr. Kempton informed the Board that there was another meeting on the UTEP with the members of the Coalition and the suburban IDA's to review what the provisions have been so far. There does not seem to be any major disagreements so far. The two areas of focus will be the pilot schedules and the criteria that will determine which pilot a project would be eligible for. There was a point system before but this will be different. Mr. Kempton suggested that each IDA determine what the criteria would be in each category for that IDA. The other issue is the prevailing wage law. Something will be passed. We'll have to see what that is going to look like.

Items not on the Agenda.

Mr. Kempton asked Mr. DiCostanzo if there has been any movement on appointing a new Board member to the CIDA. Mr. DiCostanzo said that there has not. Mr. Kempton senses that we need to have another member. Mr. DiCostanzo will have this on the Town Board Agenda for the next Town Board meeting.

Public Comments.

None.

There being nothing further, Mr. Kempton asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made to adjourn by Clayt Ertel with a second by Elaine Wolfe. There was nothing on the question.

VOTE: Ayes: Dixon, Wolfe, Ertel, Kempton. Noes: None
 Recuse: None Absent: Johnson, Powell. Motion Carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 a.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Cynthia M. Rosel