

HCDPA
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monthly Meeting
March 8, 2018
1 North Front Street – 2 PM

Meeting Minutes

Present:

Rick Rector
Eileen Halloran
Tiffany Garriga
Alan Weaver
Walter Chatham

Audience:

Tom DePietro
Carole Osterink
Shannon Mcgee

Absent:

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting is called to order at 2:01 PM

2. MINUTES

a) Approval of February 2017 Minutes

Rick MOTIONS to accept the February 2018 minutes, Walter
SECONDS. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

3. FINANCIAL REPORT

Approval of Financial Statements

Tiffany MOTIONS to accept the February 2018 financial statements, Walter
SECONDS. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

Branda reports that the audit is underway and will keep the board updated.

4. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Sheena reports on the agreement between HCDPA and Dunn warehouse for Restore New York. It does not have administrative fees, so there is an agreement for HCDPA to handle the admin. Support Services Agreement has been developed and reviewed by both HCDPA legal and the city's legal counsel. The Restore grant awarded was for

\$500,000 and the suggested admin fee is for \$15,000. The board discusses that this will also need to go to counsel for the city's acceptance as well.

Rick MOTIONS for the acceptance of the Master Services Agreement between City of Hudson and HCDPA. Alan SECONDS. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED.

5. NEW BUSINESS

Updated profile the Action Agenda and Patterns for Progress. The profile has been created so that we can properly engage with grant writing as it provides statistics and data about Hudson. It will be posted on the website.

Housing Task Force [HTF] notes will be distributed and posted on the website. The next meeting will be at the end of the month on either the 29th or 30th. The HTF are collecting recommendations for the strategic housing plan for Hudson including strategic action steps. Once adopted HCDPA staff can begin the implementation through partnership.

Sheena explains that there are various housing projects that are going to be a part of the DRI. She states that the projects were developed in tandem with DRI and Housing Task Force. She does not know what will be funded yet, but the various projects have been developed and if they are not funded through DRI, individual partners will aim to move them forward with other funding, perhaps through CFA or alternatives.

Tiffany comments on John Faso coming to Bliss Towers to tour and see the conditions. Faso took it upon himself to send a letter to HUD's Ben Carson in order to draw attention from HUD. She states that Faso remains committed to assisting the Bliss Tower situations.

Mayor Rector comments that he was there as well and he is also supportive of making sure the conditions at Bliss are improved.

Tiffany will keep the board up-to-date on meetings and how we can support and contribute.

Alan states that the Housing Authority's ED did an assessment that it includes health and safety and they are moving on to the next phases of focus to make sure that all aspects are attended to.

Alan also states that a RFQ is underway for consultant to partner with Housing Authority. Alan reports that 4 developers attended the meeting to start the process. He adds that HUD is not giving out money anymore, and a RAD conversion is expected.

Tiffany Garigga reports that the Housing Transportation Committee Meeting will happen on March 14th

Consolidated Funding Awards will be the next stage for grants and funding. Any thing that was not funded by DRI has the potential to be funded by CFA. Sheena updates the board on the ongoing projects. The board briefly discusses what can be done with Foster's site.

See attached sheet for full timeline and status.

Shannon Magee Addresses the board. He owns a few properties in town. He has heard about the Task Force and he has presented to the previous board about a property on Columbia Street. (213 Columbia/214 Alley) He would like to purchase as it doesn't meet code requirements for a dwelling parcel as it is small. Sheena explains that we can only divest property in three ways. And Shannon would like to re-propose buying it for a garden/green space. He would like to do something for the community. He has been helping to maintain the property. Board discuss and will entertain proposals.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Tiffany Motions to Adjourn. Alan SECONDS. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED. 2:50 PM