

**CITY OF UTICA URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY  
MEETING MINUTES – OCTOBER 22, 2015  
1 KENNEDY PLAZA, UTICA, NEW YORK 13502**

**MEMBERS ATTENDING:** Mayor Palmieri, Joan Harris, Michael Mahoney, Dave Farina, Councilman Ed Bucciero

**OTHERS ATTENDING:** Brian Thomas, Derek Crossman, Joe Hobika, Sr., Andy Brindisi, Cathy Mack

**ABSENT:**

**EXCUSED:** Sam Colosimo-Testa, Fred Matrulli, Gene Allen

**CALL TO ORDER:** By Brian Thomas at 9:43am

**ITEM # 1 Approval of Agency Minutes**

Joan Harris made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2015 special board meeting. The motion was seconded by Dave Farina and passed unanimously.

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**New Business**

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**ITEM #2 1414 and 1418 Francis Street**

An offer was received from Buenaventura Cadiz and Angela C. Saldarriaga in the amount of \$11,000.00 for the property located at 1414 and 1418 Francis Street. The bidder plans to renovate for primary residence. A second offer was received from Melvin Garcia in the amount of \$10,500.00 to renovate for primary residence. The board motioned to review the sale of 1414 and 1418 Francis Street in Executive Session.

After review, Mike Mahoney made a motion to designate Melvin Garcia as a qualified and eligible project sponsor for the redevelopment of 1414 and 1418 Francis Street with the condition that all applicable codes are complied with and any necessary permits are obtained for work to be completed on the property. The motion was seconded by Dave Farina and passed unanimously.

**ITEM #2 1530 Dudley Avenue**

An offer was received from Cristino Joaquin Vargas in the amount of \$8,000.00 for the property located at 1530 Dudley Avenue. The bidder plans to renovate for primary residence. A second offer was received from Juan Sigua in the amount of \$9,000.00 to renovate for primary and income property. The board motioned to review the sale of 1530 Dudley Avenue in Executive Session.

After review, Joan Harris made a motion to designate Cristino Joaquin Vargas as a qualified and eligible project sponsor for the redevelopment of 1530 Dudley Avenue with the condition that all applicable codes are complied with and any necessary permits are obtained for work to be completed on the property. The motion was seconded by Dave Farina and passed unanimously.

**ITEM #4 608, 610 Second Street/429-431, 435, 437, 439 Mary Street**

An offer was received from Mohawk Plaza, LLC in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the properties located at 608, 610 Second Street/429-431, 435, 437, 439 Mary Street. The bidder plans to landscape and create additional parking.

No action was taken on the properties due to the bidder's absence. The properties remained tabled.

**ITEM #5 1606 Neilson Street**

An offer was received from Gilberto Trinidad in the amount of \$250.00 for the property located at 1606 Neilson Street. The bidder plans to fence and landscape.

Mike Mahoney made a motion to designate Gilberto Trinidad as a qualified and eligible project sponsor for the redevelopment of 1606 Neilson Street with the condition that all applicable codes are complied with and any necessary permits are obtained for work to be completed on the property. The motion was seconded by Joan Harris and passed unanimously.

**ITEM #6      171 Genesee Street**

The approved developers of 171 Genesee Street, Christine Martin and Edward C. Schmidt, have closed on the property and are requesting the Urban Renewal Agency boards' approval to change the name of the approved developer for 171 Genesee Street to one of their own creation.

Mike Mahoney made a motion to approve Christine Martin and Edward C. Schmidt's request to change the name of the approved developer to one of their own creation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ed Bucciero and passed unanimously.

**ITEM #7      Transfer of Funds**

Urban Renewal Agency staff requested a transfer within cost centers of \$3,000.00 to cover the purchase of plywood to board and secure properties, with additional monies transferred to cover any future plywood purchases.

Councilman Ed Bucciero made a motion to approve a transfer within cost centers of \$3,000.00 for plywood to board and secure properties and to cover any future plywood purchases. The motion was seconded by Mike Mahoney and passed unanimously.

**ITEM #8      Executive Session**

Mike Mahoney made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 10:07A.M. to discuss the sale of real property at 1414 and 1418 Francis Street and 1530 Dudley Avenue. The motion was seconded by Joan Harris and passed unanimously. A second motion was made by Mike Mahoney to come out of Executive Session at 10:12A.M. The motion was seconded by Dave Farina and passed unanimously.

**ITEM #9      Adjournment**

Joan Harris made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:17A.M. The motion was seconded by Mike Mahoney and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted this 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015  
Derek Crossman