

**CITY OF UTICA URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY
MEETING MINUTES – APRIL 9, 2015
1 KENNEDY PLAZA, UTICA, NEW YORK 13502**

MEMBERS ATTENDING: Mike Mahoney, Joan Harris, Phil Montana, Fred Matrulli, Mayor Palmieri, Ed Bucciero

OTHERS ATTENDING: Cathy Mack, Andy Brindisi, Gene Allen, Brian Thomas, Derek Crossman

VIA TELEPHONE: Joe Hobika, Sr.

EXCUSED: Samantha Colosimo-Testa

ABSENT: Ed Bucciero

CALL TO ORDER: By Brian Thomas at 9:37AM

ITEM # 1 Approval of Agency Minutes

Fred Matrulli made a motion to accept the minutes of the March 12, 2015 board meeting. The motion was seconded by Phil Montana and passed unanimously.

ITEM #2 863 Jay Street

An offer was received from Marina Latella in the amount of \$800.00 for the property located at 863 Jay Street. The bidder plans to improve the exterior and stabilize the building for her adjacent property.

Fred Matrulli made a motion to designate Marina Latella as a qualified and eligible project sponsor for the redevelopment of 863 Jay 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 Mike Mahoney and passed unanimously.

ITEM #3 832 Edward Street

An offer was received from the Matt Brewing Co., Inc. in the amount of \$2,500.00 for the property located at 832 Edward Street. The bidder plans to demolish the property for future Brewery expansion.

Fred Matrulli made a motion to designate the Matt Brewing Co., Inc. as a qualified and eligible project sponsor for the redevelopment of 832 Edward 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 Mike Mahoney and passed unanimously.

ITEM #4 1316 & 1318 Dudley Avenue

An offer was received from Hector Paredes in the amount of \$500.00 for the property located at 1316 & 1318 Dudley Avenue. The bidder plans to create parking for his adjacent property.

Mike Mahoney made a motion to table the property for two weeks to make sure that they were not part of the application previously submitted by MHA. The motion was seconded by Joan Harris and passed unanimously.

ITEM #5 732 Roberts Street

An offer was received from Andrew Brindisi in the amount of \$5,000.00 for the property located at 732 Roberts Street. The bidder plans to renovate primary/income property. The minutes reflect that Mr. Brindisi disclosed that he is an employee of the Urban Renewal Agency for the City of Utica.

Mr. Brindisi explained to the board that he has uncovered some additional issues with the property that will require additional money above and beyond what he is willing to put into it at this point, so he withdrew his offer on the property.

ITEM #6 313-315 Nichols Street

An offer was received from MV Somali Bantu Community Association in the amount of \$1,000.00 for the property located at 313-315 Nichols Street. The bidder plans to renovate for use as an After School Program for their community.

Mayor Palmieri made a motion to table the property for 30 days to allow the applicant more time to assemble more financing for the project. The staff are to continue marketing and accepting applications during this time. The motion was seconded by Phil Montana and passed unanimously.

ITEM #7 Adjournment

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

Respectfully submitted this 23rd day of April, 2015
Cathy Mack