

WYOMING COUNTY BAC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The WCBAC Board of Directors met on January 16, 2020 at 3:00p.m. at the Wyoming County Agriculture and Business Center, 36 Center Street Warsaw, New York 14569.

1. Roll call to establish quorum

Chairman, Mark Dadd, called the meeting to order at 3:12 p.m., in attendance were: Mark Dadd, Chairman; A. Douglas Berwanger, Vice Chairman; Rebecca Ryan, Treasurer; Sandra Piridy, Secretary; E. Joseph Gozelski, Director; Thomas McCormick, Director; James Pierce, Executive Director; Robin Marschilok, Director of Operations; Jennifer Tyczka, Program Manager; and Kevin Zanner, Hurwitz & Fine, Agency Counsel.

Attending by telephone: James Hardie, Director; William Daly, Special Projects Coordinator

2. Administrative

A. Review/approve minutes from December 12, 2019 Board Meeting

The minutes from the December 12, 2019 Board Meeting were reviewed. A motion was made to accept the minutes by T. McCormick. The motion was seconded by S. Piridy and unanimously carried.

B. Review and approve Financial Statements December 2019

R. Marschilok presented the financial reports from December 2019. After review the Board approved the financial report on a motion made by R. Ryan. The motion was seconded by S. Piridy and unanimously carried.

3. Project Updates OCR Program Income Grants

A. Indus Hospitality Group-\$525,000 Grant

Pierce updated the Board stating that Indus 19 just submitted invoices for a partial draw down of the awarded grant. The remaining funds will be drawn before the expiration date of March 31, 2020.

B. API Heat Transfer-\$250,000 Grant

Pierce told the Board that API had been in contact and will be submitting a draw request for the grant funds soon. They will need to draw all the funds before the expiration date of March 31, 2020.

4. Discussion Item

A. William's Opera House project

Pierce update the Board on the status of the Opera House in Attica. Due to a recent wind storm the building has suffered significant damage to the third-floor outer wall where bricks collapsed. The weight of the falling bricks caused a portion of the second story floor to collapse through to the basement. The Insurance Company has

been there to evaluate the damage, the Wyoming County Code Enforcement Officer has been on scene to assess the damage and help to mitigate any further liability from falling debris. A local contractor has been able to consult with Sage Keber, the building owner, and gave an estimate of \$200,000 to fix the damages. The contractor requests \$50,000 as a retainer in order to do any work. The first, and most important, issue right now is to shore up the building to keep it from collapsing further. Mr. Keber has asked if the WCBAC Board would consider additional funding to help with the immediate need to shore up the building. Pierce informed the Board that he has reached out to Eileen Hopkins from Senator Gallivan's office. Hopkins has reported that there may be funds available through the NYS Historic Preservation that could help with emergency needs for the historic building. After the update the Board suggested that the WCBAC would not make any decisions until an insurance report is finalized and a financial evaluation can be completed.

5. Other Business - None

6. Next Meeting

The next scheduled meeting is February 20, 2020, 3:30 p.m. immediately following the WCIDA Board of Director's Meeting.

7. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:28 p.m. on motion by D. Berwanger. The motion was seconded by S. Piridy and unanimously approved.

Minutes prepared by: R. Marschilok