

BATAVIA DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (BDC)
1 City Centre, 2nd Floor Council Chambers
Meeting Minutes December 16th, 2021 @ 8:30am

Attendance

BDC Attendees: Lori Aratari, Derek Geib, Rebecca Cohen, Rachael Tabelski, Wesley Bedford, and Brett Frank (Director)

Absent/Excused: Steve Pies, Pier Cipollone, Jake Whiting, Nate Varland, and Chris Fix

Guests/Media: Brian Quinn (Daily News)

Call to Order

At 9:12 a.m. L. Aratari, President of the BDC, called the meeting to order.

Presentations: None at this time

Chairman's Report

No agenda additions to be proposed.

B. Frank discussed reallocation of NYMS Grant in amount of \$50,000 to 2 State Street (Dr. Canzoneri's Podiatrist Office). Project was highest scoring project that was not originally selected to be a recipient of NYMS Grant. B. Frank discussed that he met with Dr. Canzoneri along with Ed Flynn and Derik Kane of LaBella previous week and property owner is ready to begin project with help of grant funds.

Motion of W. Bedford to approve the reallocation of NYMS Funds (\$50,000) to Dr. Canzoneri and his project at 2 State Street; seconded by D. Geib and approved by all members present.

B. Frank discussed that on Tuesday December 14th, 2021 Governor Hochul announced that the City of Batavia was awarded a \$20,000 Technical Assistance Grant from HCR which will be used to help facilitate the reuse of the Brisbane Mansion (Current Police Office).

L. Aratari discussed that Freed Maxick has dissolved their Municipal Division and will no longer be providing audit services to the BDC or the City of Batavia. R. Tabelski advised that Deputy Director of Finance for the City of Batavia Lisa Neary will be putting out an RFP with hopes of choosing a firm by the end of March 2022. The BDC has historically used the same firm as the City of Batavia and the Board agreed to continue using the same firm chosen by the City of Batavia.

L. Aratari announced the next scheduled board meeting for the BDC would be held on January 27th, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. The meeting would be held at 1 City Centre, 2nd floor Community Meeting Room.

Committee Reports –

Governance

None at this time

Audit and Finance

None at this time

Real Estate/ BOA

None at this time

Small Business –

None at this time

Old Business-

None at this time

New Business –

None at this time

Adjournment

Motion of R. Tabelski to adjourn the meeting; seconded by R. Cohen and approved by all members present. The meeting stood adjourned at 9:27 a.m.