

# CITY OF AMSTERDAM INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

## MEETING MINUTES

October 21, 2010

PRESENT: Mr. DeRossi, Mr. Rossi, Mr. Phelps, Mr. Baia, Mr. Barone, Mr. LaCoppola, Mr. Quick, Attorney Schwarz, Ken Rose ( MCIDA), Crystal Ricciuti (MCIDA), Mayor Thane, Alder woman and AIDA Liaison Gina DeRossi, Shelia Snell County Economic Dev. CEO, Jessica Mahar (Recorder) Sandra Yutes (AIDA), Donna Phelps

This meeting of the City of Amsterdam Industrial Development Agency was held on October 21, 2010 at the Conference Center adjacent City Hall, at 61 Church Street, Amsterdam, New York 12010.

Chairman DeRossi called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

Roll Call was taken.

Chairman DeRossi opened the floor for **Public Comment**, there was none

A motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of September 23, 2010 was made by **Mr. LaCoppola** and seconded by **Mr. Baia**. Roll call was taken resulting in all “ayes” thereby passing the motion.

**Resolution 2010-26** to allow the payment of the October Bills and Invoices was sponsored by **Mr. LaCoppola** and seconded by **Mr. Quick**. After discussion, roll call was taken, resulting in all “ayes” thereby unanimously passing Resolution 2010-26.

The **Treasurer’s Report** was given by Mr. Rossi and after discussion a motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report was made by **Mr. DeRossi** and seconded by **Mr. LaCoppola**. Roll call was taken resulting in all “ayes” thereby unanimously passing the motion.

The Director’s Report given by **Mr. Rose** touched on the JFA , the application for AIDA loans updated, receipt of IDA application to construct another building, pilot payments, and GEMS request for payment. The Board has to hear back from DEC before a final payment to GEMS is made. A motion was made by **Mr. Rossi** to move \$21,253.08 from the general fund to pay “TCBR” Town & County Bridge and Rail. The motion was seconded by **Mr. LaCoppola**. Roll call was taken resulting in all “ayes” thereby passing the motion.

Under **Committee Reports**, The Building and Grounds Committee spokesperson Mr. Baia addressed office space for AIDA. Mr. Baia stated he would like AIDA to have a better office and a more professional appearance than what they have now. Mr. Rose was in agreement stating that when prospective clients and visitors come to the AIDA office the first thing they see is the appearance of the office. The Mayor stated the office space requested can be made

available to AIDA upon request but not on a permanent basis. The Mayor suggested other options. The committee will look into other possibilities and report back to the Board.

Under **Unfinished Business** the journal entries on the Audit are still in progress and the Audit Committee will meet in November

Under **New Business**, JFA Loan applications, and The Vidal Group will be discussed in executive session. Break ins have occurred again at the lower mills plant. Mr. Rose suggested hiring someone to clear out the brush and debris, secure all entrances, block windows and post No Trespassing signs. A resolution was proposed by **Mr. Baia** to consider this an emergency expenditure and to get bids not to exceed \$2000 to secure the building, do the brush hogging work and posting of No trespassing signs. This resolution was seconded by **Mr. LaCoppola**. Roll call was taken resulting in all ayes

The Board received a letter from The Vidal Group stating their contract to provide legislative and regulatory representation expires October 27, 2010. They would like a new agreement covering October 17, 2010 to October 26, 2011. After lengthy discussions, a resolution was made by **Mr. Lacoppola** to retain the Vidal Group for a period of one month. The resolution was seconded by **Mr. Rossi**. Roll call was taken resulting in one "NEA" vote by **Mr. Baia**. The majority being all "ayes" the resolution was passed. Discussions with the possibility of retaining The Vidal Group one month at a time will be discussed at the next Board meeting.

A motion to enter executive session was made by **Mr. LaCoppola** and seconded by **Mr. Baia**. Roll call was taken resulting in all "ayes" thereby passing the motion. Executive session was entered at 7:49 p.m.

A motion to exit executive session was made by **Mr. LaCoppola** and seconded by **Mr. Barone**. Roll call was taken resulting in all "ayes" thereby passing the motion. Executive session was exited at 8:18 p.m.

There being no further business to discuss a motion to adjourn was made by **Mr. LaCoppola** and seconded by **Mr. Quick**. Roll call was taken resulting in all "ayes" thereby passing the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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