

GENESEEE VALLEY REGIONAL MARKET AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Date: March 20, 2024

1. Vice Chairman Kingston called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM.
2. Brendan Tydings thanked Dennis Piedimonte for his many years of service to the Market & welcomed Mike Mele of Mele Garlic Farms who will be representing Orleans County on the Market's Board of Directors.
3. Vice Chairman Kingston appointed Jack Moore as Chairman of the Nominating Committee.
4. Members present: Dan Kingston, Mark Lagoner, Mike Mele, Lyle Merle, John Meyer, Jack Moore, Scott Osborn, Steve Starowitz, Rich Vercruyssen, Josh Watkins attended remotely as well as Tim Pezzolesi, Assistant Director of Agricultural Development, representing Commissioner Ball
 - Others attending: Jerry Mackey, Esq., Bill Mulligan and Brendan Tydings
5. Minutes of the December 6, 2023 board meeting were approved. Moved by Jack Moore, seconded by Scott Osborn. Passed unanimously.
6. Reports of officers, committees and staff:
 - Jack Moore – Personnel report was approved. Moved by Scott Osborn, seconded by Steve Starowitz. Passed unanimously.
 - Mark Lagoner & Rich Vercruyssen – Audit report – ACH:3 and check # 1840 through check # 1990 totaling \$769,406.48 were approved. Moved by Scott Osborn, seconded by Lyle Merle. Passed unanimously.
 - Brendan Tydings reviewed the Final Cash Budget. Moved by Jack Moore, seconded by Mike Mele. Passed unanimously.
 - Brendan Tydings reviewed the Administrator's Report.
7. Unfinished Business – none
8. New Business
 - Awarded construction of a 20,000 sq ft pre-engineered building (10 West) to Building Innovation Group @ \$1,647,059. Other bidders were: Russell P. LeFrois Builders @ \$1,685,529, Chrisantha Construction @ \$1,989,600 & Spoleta Construction @ \$2,253,000. Moved by Jack Moore, seconded by Scott Osborn. Passed unanimously.
 - Approved replacement of 3 heat exchangers for York rooftop HVAC units on Administration Building installed by Leo J Roth for \$7998. Other quotes were from Potter Heating Cooling & Plumbing @ \$8340 and Van Ernst Refrigeration @ \$8964. Moved by Mike Mele, seconded by Lyle Merle. Passed unanimously.
 - Approved assignment & assumption of land lease from 5330 East LLC to 55 Mushroom LLC. Moved by Scott Osborn, seconded by Mike Mele. Jack Moore abstained. Passed.
 - Approved assignment & assumption of land lease at 100 Mushroom Boulevard from 100 Mushroom Associates to Mushroom Boulevard Enterprises LLC. Moved by Steve Starowitz, seconded by John Meyer. Jack Moore abstained. Passed.
 - Approved Mushroom Boulevard Enterprises LLC one (5) five year option added onto their lease which will extend the lease to 9/1/2051. Moved by Scott Osborn, seconded by Mark Lagoner. Jack Moore abstained. Passed.
 - Reviewed & re-adopted the Market's Mission Statement. Moved by Jack Moore, seconded by Scott Osborn. Passed unanimously.
 - Reviewed & adopted the Market's investment report. Moved by Jack Moore, seconded by Mike Mele. Passed unanimously.

- Approved Daitz, Burke & Harrison, LLP, CPA as the Market's financial consultant. Moved by Scott Osborn, seconded by Mark Lagoner and Lyle Merle. Passed unanimously.
- Approved Mengel, Metzger Barr as auditor for the Market's 2024 audit at a price of \$15,695. Moved by Jack Moore, seconded by John Meyer. Passed unanimously.
- Discussed need for additional information on an energy use & demand analysis study.
- Awarded \$1,150,000 in Ag development applications for 2024-2025 fiscal year. Moved by Steve Starowitz, seconded by Mark Lagoner. Passed unanimously.

The following organizations were awarded funding:

Short term funding: \$250,000

- ❖ NY Kitchen (NY Wine & Culinary Center) - \$25,000
- ❖ Greater Rochester Enterprise - \$25,000
- ❖ Bishop Kearney High School - \$25,000
- ❖ Western NY Maple Producers Association - \$25,000
- ❖ Cornell Cooperative Extension – Monroe County - \$25,000
- ❖ Seneca Lake Wine Trail - \$25,000
- ❖ Monroe 2 BOCES – Orleans - \$25,000
- ❖ New York Cider Association - \$25,000
- ❖ Ontario County Agriculture Society - \$25,000
- ❖ Green Visions - \$25,000

Long term funding: 900,000

- ❖ New York Wine & Grape Foundation - \$400,000
- ❖ Cornell Agri Tech (New York State Agricultural Experiment Station) - \$500,000

Meeting adjourned at 12:10 PM.

Next board meeting date is Wednesday, June 5, 2024 @ 4:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Brendan Tydings

Administrator

March 22, 2024