

SOUTH AMBOY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

MINUTES OF THE MARCH 2, 2017 MEETING

Public Session

Chairman Zusette Dato called the meeting to order and led the Agency Commissioners, professionals and attending public in the Salute to the Flag. He then certified that this meeting had been advertised as prescribed by law.

ROLL CALL: Zusette Dato, Tony Gonsalves, John O'Connell, Camille Tooker, Craig Coughlin, Esq

ABSENT: Benjamin Block, Kevin Meszaros.

Also in attendance: Eric Chubenko, Executive Director
Mayor Henry

Zusette Dato opened the meeting by introducing the evening's bill list and said the general bill list contained fees for monthly legal services, rent and utilities. (*Agenda Items no. 7.B.1.*)

Zusette Dato questioned the amount of SARA rent, Eric Chubenko explained, the ARTS District is the landlord and we pay \$600.00 a month for rent and utilities, half of what was previously paid at the prior location.

Camille Tooker made a Motion to approve the Bill List as submitted. The Motion was seconded by Tony Gonsalves.

ROLL CALL: Dato – yes, Gonsalves – yes, O'Connell – yes, Tooker – yes

There was no Escrow list presented at this meeting.

Director's Report (*Agenda item no 8*) Eric Chubenko gave an update on the Woodmont Properties – The project is moving along nicely, we only had one situation with construction crews parking and the city was not able to plow properly. Their time line is approximately 11-12 months, by next spring it should be finished. They have done a wonderful job. Also have an update from Ryan Homes, they are close to completion on the second building,

Zusette Dato wanted an update on sales for Ryan homes, Eric Chubenko responded they were in need of help but that is more of a Planning Board decision.

Mayor Henry asked for an update on the Venetian Sewer issue. Camille Tooker responded that Wisnewski and Mr. Jacobs were going to address it we are currently awaiting on his reply but it looks like they will comply with us.

Zusette Dato called for a Motion to approve the January 5, 2017 Agency Meeting Minutes (*Agenda item no. 12. A.*)

A Motion to approve the January 5, 2017 Agency Meeting Minutes as presented was made by Tony Gonsalves. Camille Tooker seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: Dato – abstain, Gonsalves – yes, O’Connell – yes, Tooker – yes

Ferry update from Camille Tooker, during excavation there was a turntable and rail bedding discovered. Based on the State Historical MOA all construction was to be halted until SHIPPO was notified and a state archeologist was to do a report. The report was approved by Laura Lee, SHIPPO had a few changes Hunter replied to those changes and resubmitted the report. We are hoping we can preserve in place, we can cover it back up and continue with the project. The contractor has not been able to work since February 3. This site is a national historic registered site.

John O’Connell was no longer available by phone, there was no longer a quorum, we cannot make a motion to close.

Submitted by:

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