

**CENTRAL NEW YORK REGIONAL MARKET AUTHORITY**  
**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Monday, April 17, 2023**  
**5:30PM**

**PRESENT:** C. Pratt, A. Emmi, J. Berenguer, J.A. Delaney, M. Mahar, M. Broccoli, R. Darratt.

**OTHER VIRTUAL:** L. Podsiedlik, T. Kerr, G. Palmer, J. Miller

**ABSENT:** D. Ross, T. Bonoffski, J. Musumeci

**OTHER IN PERSON:** Am. Vitale, H. Poole

The meeting was called to order at 5:40PM by Board President, Anthony Emmi.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Resolved: a motion was made by J.A.Delaney and seconded by J. Berenguer to approve the agenda. all in favor; no one opposed; no abstentions.

**APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES 4/4/23**

Resolved: a motion was made by M. Broccoli and seconded by C. Pratt to approve the prior minutes. all in favor; no one opposed; no abstentions.

**DISCUSSION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION**

J.A. Delaney presented to the Board that she along with Am. Vitale, A. Emmi, M. Broccoli and long time Market vendor Brian Reeves met with Assemblyman Magnarelli on Tuesday, April 11th. B. Reeves also attended the Lobby Days in Albany, where he was helpful presenting the Market's project ideas to Assemblyman Magnarelli. During the meeting on April 11th, the Market's history was discussed including what has led to the deterioration that has caused the Market to be in the condition in which it currently sits. Assemblyman Magnarelli expressed his wishes for the Market to come to him sooner, as well as the importance for the Market to be completely transparent with increased transparency and compliance standards. Following the meeting, A. Vitale was presented with proposed changes to the Authority's Enacting Legislation that is being proposed by Assemblyman Magnarelli's office. M. Broccoli discussed that during the meeting, Assemblyman Magnarelli mentioned he would like the Market to be held to a compliance level higher than the current ABO standards. The Market's attorney, J. Miller, discussed the comparison of the proposed legislation to the Genesee Valley Regional Market's legislation, which are very similar even though the markets are extremely different. The proposed legislation would require the CNYRMA to report directly to the City of Syracuse. This would include following all local laws and ordinances rather than State Laws and Ordinances – which is

the existing standard for State and Local Authorities . Assemblyman Magnarelli did inform the Board Members during the meeting that there are no State Authorities that he is aware of that receive a line item in the state budget. Moving forward, the Board has decided to allow Am. Vitale and attorney J. Miller to discuss the proposed legislation and decide what the Market can agree to and what is not currently appropriate for the Market. Prior to replying to Assemblyman Magnarelli, Am. Vitale will present the Board with the response letter to confirm their agreement on the response.

## **BOARD DISCUSSION**

Am. Vitale notified the Board that as of April 4th, New York State's Sexual Harassment Policy has been changed, therefore the Market's policy will need to be updated and reviewed by the Board.

Am. Vitale reminded the Board to complete all ABO compliance requirements as soon as possible.

C. Pratt discussed the recent interview Am. Vitale did with Channel 3 News that was aired on television. The Board discussed the importance of staying positive and highlighting the importance of the Market to the vendors, customers and local food system when speaking on the proposed project.

Am. Vitale notified the Board of Directors that she has an upcoming meeting scheduled with C&S Engineers to discuss an estimate for the next phase of repairs.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Governance Committee will be on Tuesday, May 30, 2023 at 5:30PM in the conference room on the second floor of the Administration Building at 2100 Park Street.

The next meeting of the Personnel Committee will be on Tuesday, June, 6, 2023 at 5:30PM in the conference room on the second floor of the Administration Building at 2100 Park Street.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be on Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 6:30 PM in the conference room on the second floor of the Administration Building at 2100 Park Street.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Resolved: a motion was made by C. Pratt and seconded by J. Berenguer to adjourn at 7:00PM. all in favor; no one opposed; no abstentions