

COMMISSION MEETING

January 21, 2009

CDRPC Conference Room

One Park Place, Suite 102

Albany, New York 12205

MINUTES

PRESENT: Willard Bruce, John Graziano, Michael Whalen, Judy Breselor, Stan Brownell, Leon Fiacco, James Shaughnessy, Michael Stammel, Fred Acunto, Philip Barrett, John Murray, Robert Godlewski, Barbara Mauro

ABSENT: Henry Dennis, Lucille McKnight, Jason Kemper, Gary Hughes, Michael Petta, David Vincent

PRESIDING: Mike Stammel, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

GUESTS: Ken Carlstedt from MPM Silicones, LLC and Michael McGlynn

1. Welcome

Rocky introduced Ken Carlstedt from MPM Silicones, LLC.

2. December 17, 2008 Meeting Minutes

The minutes were distributed before the meeting. Robert Godlewski mentioned that under item #8, *Foreign-Trade Zone Applications Status & Zone Tariff*, the minutes stated that he (Robert Godlewski) recommended sending out a press release with the updated Zone Tariff information when in fact Chris Callaghan recommended it.

Action Taken

Fred Acunto made a motion to approve the minutes, and John Graziano seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Financial Statement through December 31, 2008

The financial statement reflects activities through December 31, 2008. Revenues are at 98.9% while expenses are at 95.0%. The revenue reflects the final billings through the fourth quarter of 2008.

Based on the 2008 billings, we will end the year with a surplus of approximately \$25,000 in revenue over expenses. A final audited financial statement will be prepared and presented to the Commission in mid 2009.

An invoice was sent to Capital District Trade Strategies in the amount of \$25,000 per the contract agreement. There has been no follow-up communication between CDTS and

CDRPC since the invoice was sent out. Rocky will update the Board regarding payment by CDTS at the next meeting.

Action Taken

Stan Brownell made a motion to approve the Financial Statements, and Phil Barrett seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

4. FTZ Grantee/Property Owner Agreement with CP Rail

Canadian Pacific Rail has agreed to include part of its rail sidings at the Port of Albany in the FTZ expansion application. Since the property owner in this case is not the Operator or User of the proposed FTZ site, it will be necessary to execute a Grantee/Property Owner agreement between CDRPC and CP Rail.

CDRPC is submitting a new application to the FTZ Board, which includes the Port of Albany as a magnet location. The CP Rail property is within the Port of Albany property and will be included in the application. The application will be submitted within the next few weeks.

Fred Acunto inquired about CDRPC's role in negotiations regarding this project between Momentive Silicones and CP Rail. Ken Carlstedt informed the Board that he is continually in contact with both Rocky and David Lang Wardle on all aspects of the project.

Fred Also inquired if the proposed agreement has been reviewed by CDRPC counsel. At this time the agreement has not been reviewed by counsel. *(It was subsequently reviewed by Michael Hall and no changes were recommended by Counsel).*

Action Taken

John Graziano made a motion to approve the authorization to sign the Grantee/Property Owner Agreement, and Phil Barrett seconded. The motion was approved, with one negative vote by Fred Acunto.

5. 2008: The Year in Review; 2009: The Year Ahead

Rocky did a PowerPoint presentation outlining the Commission's accomplishments during 2008 and the anticipated work program for 2009.

A copy of the presentation was provided at the meeting.

6. Combined Sewer Overflow Long Term Control Plan Update

The water sampling and sewer system monitoring have been completed and the primary focus is now on analyzing the data and incorporating it into the system.

The results of the Hudson River water quality assessment have been prepared for delivery to DEC. Once DEC has reviewed and approved the assessment, the monitoring and sampling results will be discussed with the Citizen's Advisory Committee and presented to the public.

The next Technical Committee meeting is scheduled for January 26 to discuss potential funding from the federal economic stimulus package.

7. Staff Activity Report

The Staff Activity Report was distributed before the meeting. There was no discussion.

8. Other Business

Rocky expressed his gratitude toward the board members who contributed to the Compassionate Care Hospice Foundation in memory of his mother, Mary Ferraro.

Michael McGlynn, from Watervliet, attended the board meeting to inform the Board of an Energy Environmental Block Grant Program that is available from the Federal Government. This program is focused on counties of 200,000 or more or cities of 50,000 or more. Mr. McGlynn inquired if CDRPC would be interested in becoming the administrator for this grant.

Mike Stammel suggested that CDRPC staff look into this grant more closely and get back to Mr. McGlynn if it is something the Commission is interested in pursuing. It was also suggested that Mr. McGlynn contact a representative with NYSERDA for more information.

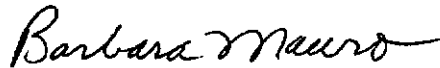
9. Next Commission Meeting Date

The next Commission meeting will be held March 18, 2009 at 8:30am.

Adjournment

John Murray made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Phil Barrett seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Barbara Mauro
Secretary