**NIAGARA FALLS URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY**

**Minutes of Meeting January 27th 2021**

**745 Main Street**

**Niagara Falls, New York**

**Present:** Mayor Robert Restaino

Council Member Christopher Voccio

Council Member Andrew Touma.

Council Member John Spanbauer

Mr. Hooper

**Absent:** Council Member Ken Tompkins

Council Member William Kennedy Mr. Doug Mooradian

Mrs. Doreen O’Connor

**Staff**

**Present**: Mr. Doug Janese  
 Ms. Michelle Shaughnessy

Mayor Robert Restaino called the meeting to order at 4:55 P.M. Roll was called and a quorum was present.

**Agenda Items:**

1. **Approval of Minutes of Meeting dated: June 10, 2020** -Motion to approve these minutes was made by Council Member Voccio and seconded by Council Member Touma.

**POLLED VOTE**:

In Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

**Approved** Unanimously

1. **2021 URA Meeting Schedule- Informational**

1. **Election of Chief Financial Officer –** Council Member Voccio nominated Council Member Spanbauer seconded by Council Member Touma.

**POLLED VOTE**:

In Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

**Approved** Unanimously

1. **Election of Alternate Financial Officer-** Council Member Voccio nominated Mr. Hooper seconded by Council Member Touma.

**POLLED VOTE**:

In Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

**Approved** Unanimously

1. **Election of Secretary-** Council Member Touma nominated Ms. O’Connor seconded by Council Member Voccio
2. **Election of Acting Secretary**-Board decided this position was not needed at this time-No vote was held.
3. **URA Mission Statement-** Motion to Approve was made by Council Member Voccio and seconded by Council Member Spanbauer.

Council Member Touma stated he felt it was “wordy”. Mayor Restino stated that himself and Mr. Janese will look it over for possible rewording in the future.

**POLLED VOTE**:

In Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

**Approved** Unanimously

1. **URA Investment Guidelines-** Motion to Approve was made by Council Member Voccio and seconded by Council Member Touma.

**POLLED VOTE**:

In Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

**Approved** Unanimously

1. **URA Property Disposition Policy**-Motion to Approve was made by Council Member Voccio and seconded by Mr. Hooper.

**POLLED VOTE**:

In Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

**Approved** Unanimously

1. **Approval of Banking Resolution**- Motion to Approve was made by Council Member Voccio and seconded by Council Member Spanbauer.

**POLLED VOTE**:

In Favor: 5

Opposed: 0

**Approved** Unanimously

1. **URA 2020 Year End Fund Budget Analysis**- Informational
2. **Approval of 2021 Budget**- Motion to Approve was made by Council Member Voccio and seconded by Council Member Touma.

**Old Business- NONE**

**New Business-** Council Member Spanbauer asked if the Urban Renewal Agency has any programs for the public in purchasing properties and matching funds. Mayor Restino stated that this would not fall into Urban Renewal category and that this information can be obtained through Economic Development via Mr. Tedesco and Mr. Booker.

**Adjournment-**

There being no further business, a motion for adjournment was made by Council Member Voccio, second made by Mr. Hooper. Unanimously approved. Meeting was adjourned at 5:09 P.M.