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Daniel D. Brownell  
*Commissioner and Chair*

**Minutes of a Meeting of the  
Hunts Point Markets Advisory Board**

Date and Time: March 29, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.  
Location: Hunts Point Meat Market Board Room  
355 Food Center Dr., Bronx, NY 10474

Attendees:

*Business Integrity Commission*

Daniel D. Brownell, Commissioner and Chair  
Noah D. Genel, Deputy Commissioner of Legal Affairs and General Counsel  
John Curry, Assistant Commissioner of Legal Affairs  
William Courtney, Director of Investigations  
Salvador Arrona, Director of Policy  
Jared Rosen, Executive Agency Counsel/Market Manager  
Patrick Z. Scotti, Executive Agency Counsel

*Industry*

Matthew D'Arrigo, Vice President, D'Arrigo Brothers Co. of New York, Inc.  
Joel Fierman, President, Fierman Produce Exchange  
Joseph Gurrera, President, Lockwood & Winant Seafood, LLC  
Richard Klein, Chairman, Third Generation Seafood, Inc.  
Joseph Palumbo, CEO, Top Banana LLC  
Mark Solasz, Assistant Vice President, Master Purveyors Inc.

Sid Davidoff, Senior Partner, Davidoff, Hutcher & Citron, LLP  
Charles Capetanakis, Partner, Davidoff, Hutcher & Citron, LLP

*Not present*

Andrew Sussman, President, Plymouth Beef Co.

Discussion:

1. Commission meeting on March 31, 2017.
  - a. The Commission will review proposed rules and recommendations to deny eight applications.
  - b. Markets are encouraged to contact the Commission with comments about proposed rules.

2. Complaints specific to each market.
  - a. The Commission wants to set up individual meetings with each market to discuss the list of items of interest/concern that the markets have provided.
3. Applications
  - a. The Commission is working to move all of its applications online/in electronic format.
  - b. Principals in Market companies will only be required to submit one principal disclosure form regardless of the number of entities of which they are a principal.
    - i. Principal disclosure forms must be updated with the Commission within 30 days of any material change.
    - ii. Market companies should contact Patrick Scotti if there are issues or concerns with their principal disclosure forms.
4. Safety Symposium
  - a. The Commission and the trade waste industry have worked together to put on safety symposiums led by the industry. The Commission suggested that the Markets work to do the same. The Commission offered to help organize.
  - b. A subcommittee was formed to work on a safety symposium.
  - c. The HPPM has a cafeteria area that can seat over a hundred people, which may be a good location for the symposium.
5. Weather
  - a. A number of industry members raised the issue of weather emergencies significantly affecting the Markets.
    - i. If public transportation is canceled, many workers cannot come to work.
    - ii. During snow emergencies, road closures and emergency route usage can block access to the Markets.
    - iii. Need a point of contact in NYC gov't regarding preparations and actions taken during snow emergencies.
  - b. Markets have a strong track record of bouncing back quickly from weather emergencies.
  - c. Removing snow from the Markets is very difficult. They have equipment to move the snow, but there is no place for the Markets to put it.
    - i. Any moved snow takes up significant space in the parking lots and limits parking for employees and customers.
    - ii. Each Market is in favor of working toward getting an industrial snow melter.
6. Traffic Violations
  - a. There was a discussion about Commission-issued traffic violations in the Markets.
  - b. All attendees stressed that vehicles should have proper insurance even if not in operation and parked on Market grounds.
  - c. Examples were given of vehicles receiving tickets for not having proper registration when they are operating as storage units and not being driven.

7. Next Steps

- a. Noah Genel will be in touch with the members of the Safety Subcommittee to plan its first meeting/conference call
- b. The next HPMAB meeting will likely be held in June – exact date and location to be determined. (Location will be at one of the Markets.)