



## Nashville Farmers' Market Board Meeting Minutes

February 15, 2022 9:30 a.m.

Attendees:

Angela Crane-Jone; NFM Board Chair	Brenda Butka; NFM Board Secretary
Alex Lorenz; NFM Board	Alex Dickerson; Metro Legal
Charles Kizer; NFM	Grace Dodds; NFM
Jamie Peco; NFM	Maria Marton; NFM
Heather Hoch; NFM	Darrell Lane; NFM
Jay Zubou; Vendor	Jack MacDowell former NFM vendor
Carol MacDowell; former NFM vendor	Jess Skim; Vendor
Jennifer Webb; former NFM vendor	Elodie Habert; vendor
Mxong Pecka; vendor	Eunae Mulvihill; vendor
Anna Fields; vendor	Sungja Park; vendor
Travis Cole; vendor	Justin Cole; vendor

- Public Comments – Jess Skim of B&C verbally appeals for the removal of roughly \$600 in late fees to be credited to his account. Angela asks that he makes this appeal in writing to her and Charles.
- Approval of January 26, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes - Brenda; move. Alex; second. Pass.
- Financial Overview - Maria Marton presents financials through 1/22. 2022 Budget has been submitted to Metro, Mayor's Office review to take place March 11, 2022. Regarding increased Metro Water bills; no discovery was made with meter function. NFM to self-fund an investigation with contracted plumber to identifying any leaks. Once completed, Metro Water will adjust 2 months of service.
- Executive Director's Report - Charles Kizer gives updates on progress of GLK kitchen damaged in fire in 2020. Ceiling framing is complete and external roofing work to commence in coming week.
- Appeals – The Board hears appeal by Jack MacDowell of Moosehead Kettle Corn. Jack is appealing NFM staff decision to reject his 2022 Farm Shed application due to poor standing resulting from multiple rule violations. The violations refer to 2021 NFM Merchant Guidelines and Policies, Rules of Conduct; repeat parking violations and hostility towards staff. Each side is given approximately 10 minutes to make their case verbally and with backing documentation, shared with both vendor, NFM staff and Board members. After hearing each side, Board members are given opportunity to ask clarifying questions to both parties. Jack provides his side of the story including photos of parked cars inside the farm shed of the market and accounts of discrimination by NFM staff. NFM staff provides their documentation of the incident including weekend recaps created by Heather Hoch, email correspondence between staff and Moosehead owners, NFM policies and NFM Board policies, and an incident report created by Metro contractor Archangel Protective Services. The Board formally closes hearing and moves into deliberation in an open forum. The Board votes unanimously to uphold ED's recommendation to reject Moosehead's 2022 Membership Application. Move; Brenda. Second; Alex. Pass.
- Other Business State Museum Parking Agreement – to be moved to next Board meeting agenda
- Adjournment - Move; Alex. Second; Brenda. Pass.