

REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING

February 23, 2015

6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice President N. Walding called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called; present were Commission Member N. Walding, Commission Member E. Schoenfelt, Commission Member J. Ton, Commission Member P. Tharp, and Duneland School Corporation Representative M. Trout. Commission Member J. Trout was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member P. Tharp made the motion to approve the minutes of January 2, 2015 Meeting, seconded by Member E. Schoenfelt, motion was approved by unanimous voice vote. Commission Member commented that the minutes from the January 26th meeting has Member J. Trout as Vice-President when he is the President, and Member N. Walding is the Vice-President and this should be amended. Member J. Ton made motion to approve amended January 26, 2015 meeting minutes, seconded by Member E. Schoenfelt, motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS

Member P. Tharp made the motion to approve the claims as submitted, seconded by Member J. Ton; claims were approved by unanimous voice vote.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

NONE

REPORTS FROM STAFF

Street Commissioner J. Schnadenberg reported on the project for the sidewalk on the north side of Broadway from Calumet to 3rd St for an approximate cost of \$30,000 and he advised that the old curb is part of the original concrete street and would need to be cut out and then once the new sidewalk was replaced the curb would be incorporated with the new sidewalk. He advised that this is just one of the projects he is reviewing for 2015 and he has been delayed in compiling a complete list because of the weather, and he is waiting to appropriately evaluate any damages relating to thawing. He advised that there are projects from 2014 which were not completed, and could be included in the 2015 project list. Town Manager B. Doyle commented that along with the Broadway sidewalk project they would be installing the electric charging station at 2nd & Broadway in conjunction with the NIPSCO grant. Member E. Schoenfelt made the motion for Commissioner Schnadenberg to move forward with sidewalk project, seconded by Commissioner J. Ton motion approved by unanimous voice vote. Member J. Ton commented on the new decorative lights, and he advised it appeared they were more effective with fewer light outages. Commissioner J. Schnadenberg agreed, and advised although there were some minor adjustments, the electric costs have decreased.

Engineer M. O'Dell reported on the SR 49 Corridor project. He advised that he and Chief Jarka met with the electrician, and they are able to access electric on the eastside of the Fire Station for the SCADA system antenna on the water tower but work is delayed because of the weather.

Town Manager B. Doyle commented there have been requests from businesses at Calumet & Porter for decorative lighting and they have received quotes for two light units from Ellis Electric. Lucrezia's would like one at the corner of Porter and Calumet, and would be willing to pay for the electric until the Town could extend electric to this area. This would be an agreement similar to the one with Ace Hardware. Member J. Ton made the motion to obtain two light units for this area pending the execution of a M.O.U. with Lucrezia's for electric service for the units, motion seconded by Member E. Schoenfelt, motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Member P. Tharp apologized from missing the last meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Commission Member J. Ton made the motion to adjourn, motion seconded by Commission Member E. Schoenfelt, motion was approved by unanimous voice vote, meeting adjourned.

VICE PRESIDENT REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer S. Kuziela