

CASS COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING
June 18, 2014

The Cass County Redevelopment Commission met at 8:30 A.M. in the Commissioners Hearing Room.

Redevelopment Commission Members Present: Dave Arnold, Ken Personett, Duane Sailors and Attorney John Hillis.

Attendees: Cathy Isaacs, Assessor's Office, and Mitchel Kirk, Pharos Tribune

Chairman Dave Arnold, called the meeting to order.

Minutes:

A motion was made by Duane Sailors to accept the minutes for April 16, 2014 Meeting, seconded by Ken Personett; Motion carried unanimously.

Claims:

Duane made a motion to pay MRK Contractors invoice # 2534 for \$4200 for 350 sewer main for Scott's Square construction. Seconded by Ken. Question was asked if this included water, too. Christy will be meeting Adam tomorrow, she will double check. Motion carried unanimously. Ice miller submitted a claim for \$10,972.84, however had Dave requested an itemized statement from Lisa, but had not received yet. Duane made a motion to table claim until RDC receives the itemized statement, as requested. Seconded by Dave, motion carried.

ED Report:

Christy Householder gave her Economic Development Report to the Commission. She reported that she had visited 56 businesses to date. She assisted DeHaven Soil Service with a tax abatement on their new building and the Town of Walton with the ERA to consider an abatement, their first. The Anderson's Clymer's Ethanol added \$5.1M in new equipment, they received an abatement from the Cass Co Council. IEDC had requested information for several different types and sizes of buildings, from 30,000-200,000 SF. A shell building might be helpful in getting our foot in the door of those looking. The Ed has established an Ag Committee to help guide Christy with Ag related businesses looking to expand, relocate and guidance on a "Shovel Ready Ag Park".

Projects:

The County is obtaining an appraisal on 30 acres of property in the Cass Co Hoosier Heartland Business Park. The appraisal should be done this week. The landowner is also obtaining an appraisal, with an appraiser of their choice.

Project Blaze is a local industry expanding their operations with \$6M in new investment, retaining 45 jobs and adding an additional 72 new jobs.

Other Business:

The first year of the County's Option to Purchase 54 acres in the Cass Co Hoosier Heartland Business Park will expire on July 31, 2014. Christy asked the Commission if they would like to exercise their 2nd year of the option. John Hillis reminded the group that the option prices paid did go toward the purchase if the Commission did decide to purchase the property in the future. Duane made a motion to pay \$20,000 to renew the "option to purchase real estate" for the 2nd year of the 3 year option by July 31, 2014, seconded by Ken. Motion carried.

There is new legislation starting July 1, 2014 that will require new TIF reports for submittal to the State of Indiana. Christy is working with Jason Semler of Umbaugh to help prepare the reports this first year, then she will have a template to assist in completing them in future years on behalf of the RDC.

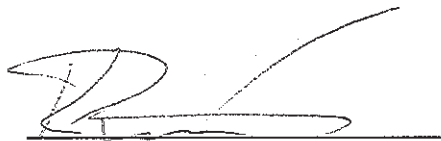
Next Meeting will be Wednesday, July 16, 2014 at 8:30 am in the Cass Co. Commissioner's Hearing Room.

There was no other Public Comment.

Adjournment:

Ken Personett made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Duane; Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by,

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Ken Personett, Secretary