

SPENCER COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MINUTES OF THE
November 4, 2021 MEETING

Call To Order

The November 4, 2021 meeting of the Spencer County Redevelopment Commission was called to order by President Scott Singleton. Also present and in attendance were Redevelopment Commission members, Wayne Blake, Paul Brockman, Eric Vogel, and Steve Leiberling, and attorney Jefferson Lindsey, along with members of the public including John Bowen, Alan Meunier, and Gene Steinkamp.

MINUTES

The minutes were read. Motion to accept the minutes was made first by Steve Leiberling, and seconded by Wayne Blake, motion was approved.

- John Bowen spoke about the following:
 - Review of the LEDC Strategic Plan
 - Other possible plans regarding the Indiana 15 Region Planning Commission Annual Plan
 - The Annual Plan has great potential for Spencer County economic development
 - The survey shows that:
 - Most agree we need to make it a good place for kids
 - Local government should partner with private industry
 - #1 need is for single family housing
 - The number of younger people in the county is decreasing
 - Local government is not going to spend money for Riverview Energy
- Wayne Blake states that it's not that the County won't help, maybe municipalities don't communicate
 - Relationships need to happen. The wrong signal is being sent as "we aren't going to provide a single penny of our own money"
- Steve Leiberling stated that we are at the point where the Public and Local Government need to spend their money to grow.
- John Bowen stated that the number 1 want was for single family housing.
- Steve Leiberling asked what percentage of investment is required to grow.
- The County Council has asked to the Redevelopment Commission and the Port Authority to bring them projects. Steve Leiberling stated that grants alone are not going to be enough.
 - Focus on Hatfield, Unincorporated
 - Condemn clearly blighted homes: clean it up and give it away to builders

- Wayne Blake made a motion that Jeff Lindsey prepare a report or bullet list for what needs to be addressed in Hatfield. Steve Leiberling seconded. Motion was approved.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on December 9, 2021, at 6:00 pm at the Lincoln Commerce Center.

Alan Meunier of Catalyst Group was introduced and asked the Commission to consider a “Spider TIF” to capture value to apply to broadband digital systems inside County facilities. He stated that a Spider TIF would be a way to recoup some or all of the 5 million put into the fiber project by the county.

Claims

Claim forms were distributed and signed by members in attendance.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Scott Singleton, President

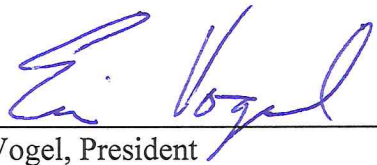
ATTEST:

Steve Leiberling, Secretary

Approved August 11, 2022
Attest



Paul Brockman, Secretary



Eric Vogel, President