

RDA Meeting

Tuesday, August 13, 2019

200 East Main Street, STE 910

Fort Wayne, IN 46802

In Attendance: Gene Donaghy, Bob Marshall, Jeff Turner, Craig Snow

Staff in Attendance: Michael Galbraith, Erin Whittle, Andrew Boxberger, Elisia Dupre, Jaclyn Goldsborough

Call to order

Gene Donaghy called the meeting to order at 2:00pm.

Election of Officers

RDA Officers were elected as follows:

President: Gene Donaghy

Vice President: Craig Snow

Secretary Treasurer: Bob Marshall

Approval of Minutes

Gene Donaghy asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the June meeting. **Jeff Turner motioned to approve the minutes, Bob Marshall seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.**

Claims

Claims were presented for approval. **Jeff Turner motioned to approve the claims, Bob Marshall seconded to motion, and the motion was unanimously approved.**

Projects-Pending

Michael Galbraith provided an overview of the Road to One Million Projects. There are 24 total projects.

- Great Lakes Capital – Complete and funding fully disbursed.
- University of Saint Francis – Complete and funding fully disbursed.
- Trine University – Complete and funding fully disbursed.
- Embassy Theatre – Complete and funding fully disbursed.
- DeKalb County YMCA – Partially complete and partially disbursed
- Little River Trail – Complete and funding fully disbursed.
- Manchester Early Learning Center – Complete and funding fully disbursed.
- North Buffalo Street Redevelopment Project – City of Warsaw’s portion complete, private developer has a portion to complete. Andrew Boxberger provided updates regarding the private developer portion of this project and RDA discussed new developments.
- Regional Trails in Fort Wayne – Complete and funding fully disbursed.
- South Adams Trails – Andrew Boxberger provided the sub recipient agreement for approval. Sub recipient agreement asks \$498,000 of RDA money towards project if the bids come in and allocation is contingent on INDOT accepting project and providing 10% funding.
 - **Jeff Turner motioned to approve, Bob Marshall seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.**
- Enterprise Center – Complete and funding fully disbursed.

- UB Block – Partially complete and partially disbursed.
- Posterity Scholar House – Michael Galbraith presented a request for disbursement of funds as well as an amendment to the sub-recipient agreement. The amendment asks for an extra disbursement threshold. Current disbursement threshold is 50%, 30%, 20%, the amendment requests that the final threshold be broken up to 13% and 7%.
 - **Bob Marshall motioned to approve the amended sub recipient agreement (provisional upon an email providing further information from Michael Galbraith) and motioned to approval of disbursement, Jeff Turner seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.**
- Michiana Event Center – Complete and all funding fully disbursed.
- The Landing Redevelopment – Complete and funding fully disbursed; expected to open fall of 2019. Residential tenants moving in this week.
- The Clyde Theater Renovation – Complete and funding fully disbursed.
- Riverfront Park Fort Wayne – Opening delayed until late summer due to weather setbacks.
- Eagles Theatre – Under construction. No funds disbursed as of yet
- Wabash River Trail – Under construction. No funds disbursed as of yet
- Fahl Aquatics Facility – Complete and funding fully disbursed.
- Strawberry Valley Cultural Trail – 1/3 complete and 1/3 funds disbursed.
- Fishing Line Trail – Complete and funding fully disbursed.
- Kendallville Outdoor Recreation Center – Complete and funding fully disbursed.
- Grow Wells County – Michael Galbraith presented request for disbursement
 - **Jeff Turner motioned to approve the disbursement, Craig Snow seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.**

Other Business

Conflict of Interest disclosure forms

Michael Galbraith provided Craig Snow the conflict of interest disclosure for signature.

RCI Fund Deposits & 2019 NEI RDA Operating Budget

Erin Whittle provided an update on the RCI Fund Deposits and the 2019 NEI RDA Operating Budget.

Bob Marshall motioned to approve RCI Fund Deposits and 2019 NEI RDA Operating Budget, Jeff Turner seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

New Business

Andrew Boxberger asked the RDA board members to discuss if they would be interested in extending the RCI agreement and if more clarity is needed with what can be done with the interest money. RDA discussed topics and agreed that a 5-year extension is too long and voiced approval to propose a 2-3-year extension to the rest of the RDA's.

Michael Galbraith discussed SB566 regional tax credit. It states that projects in regional development are up for tax credit if listed in regional development plan. To date, 65% of RDA projects have been completed in the Road to One Million plan and it's time to update the plan. Michael asked the board to appoint a few board members to help refresh regional development plan to send down to IEDC. Gene Donaghy volunteered to assist. **Jeff Turner motioned that the chair appoints 2 members of the RDA board to work with staff to develop and recommend and update regional development plan. Bob Marshall seconded this motion. Gene Donaghy appointed Craig Snow and Jeff Turner.**

Gene Donaghy called for a motion to adjourn. Craig Snow made the motion, Bob Marshall seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 3:35pm.

Next Meeting: October 7th, Location TBD