

## **RDA Meeting**

**Tuesday, November 13, 2018**

### **Northeast Indiana Regional Partnership**

200 East Main Street, Suite 910

Fort Wayne, IN 46802

**In Attendance:** Brad Bishop, Andrew Briggs, Gene Donaghy

**Staff in Attendance:** Michael Galbraith, Vanessa Hurtig, Elisia Barlow, Andrew Boxberger

### **Call to order**

Gene Donaghy called the meeting to order.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Andrew Briggs asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the September meeting. **Gene Donaghy motioned to approve, Brad Bishop seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.**

### **Claims**

Gene Donaghy asked for a motion to approve the claims presented. **Brad Bishop motioned to approve the claims, Gene Donaghy seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.**

### **Projects**

Michael Galbraith provided an overview of the Road to One Million Projects. The Regional Trails- Fort Wayne project is mostly complete and requests disbursement of \$405,000. **Brad Bishop motioned to approve disbursement, Gene Donaghy seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.**

Johnathan Meon from Triad Associates, presented about the Strawberry Valley cultural trail project in Ligonier. Project is current in phase two, permitting stage. The project will be a 5-mile multi-use trail through the city to connect the city parks, downtown district, and industrial parks. Amended sub-recipient agreement for project was presented by Andrew Boxberger that lays out the final determination of the payment schedule for the project. The RDA will disburse funds and the Noble County EDC agrees to match specified percentage of funds. **Brad Bishop motioned to approve amended sub-recipient agreement, Gene Donaghy seconded and the motion was unanimously approved. Brad Bishop motioned to approve disbursement of funds for Strawberry Valley project in accordance with the amended sub-recipient agreement, Andrew Briggs seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.** Mayor Fisel was presented with the check.

### **Other Business**

Michael Galbraith provided a status update regarding the RCI Fund Deposit as well as the 2018 NEI RDA operating budget. He also provided an update on regional housing and informed that they are continuing to complete housing studies, work with stakeholders, and continue to look at opportunities to partner with the state and federal agencies for regional housing.

Michael talked about IEDC future funding. He shared there is talk of a possible RDA tax credit to replace CRED Tax Credit and DINO tax credit for the next general assembly. We won't know for sure until the end of general assembly, but there are efforts in happening to continue to increase funding and impact the region.

### **New Business**

No new business.

### **Adjournment**

Gene Donaghy adjourned the meeting at 2:33pm.