Russiaville Redevelopment Commission (TIF Board)

Regular Board Meeting 05/22/2025

Present: Myrna Claar, Mark Fulk, Rick Homkes, Kevin Johnson, Ned Sutherland

Absent: Cindy Hurst Guest(s): None

Start: 18:10

Topics

Welcome

- The meeting was opened by President Mark. It was noted that the meeting would again be testing equipment and processes for the "go live" streaming due in June.

Minutes

- There was no discussion regarding the April minutes sent to everyone earlier so Mark declared them approved as written.

Finances

- The balance of the account is \$331,825.78 with no activity so far this year.

Town Signage

- Mark has contacted Clifford Signs regarding the strap damage to the "Welcome to Russiaville" signs. Clifford is waiting for some good weather to touch up paint.
- Kevin brought in a proposal from Pro-Turf for a dyed concrete curb and river stone filling around the Welcome signs. The quote was \$3347.95. This would also include some solar lighting sticks. Moved by Ned, second by Myrna to have Pro-Turf do the work. Approved 4-0.
- Rick reported that the Town has been informed by INDOT that since the new Welcome signs are reflective, the old green town signs can be removed.
- Rick advised the Board about meeting with the Western Schools superintendent about the proposed school signs. They will be discussing this internally regarding policy on what groups are on the sign. Mark requested that this be tabled for now.
- Mark has contacted the owner of the property where one of the proposed school signs may be placed and he was reluctant to allow it to happen.
- Ned brought up the church signs which are showing much wear. He was advised to go to the Council.

Review of April's Meeting

 Mark initiated a discussion on how to get more input from the community. He volunteered to contact Jennifer Calvin regarding social media surveys.

TIF Allocation Area (TIF 2) and EDA Changes

- Nothing new to report.

South Union Crossover Project

- Nothing new to report.

Community Center Park Picnic Shelter

- A new cost estimated for the shelter has come in at \$62,500. Mark noted that it was expected at that range.

Closing

- There was a short general discussion of taxing policies and changes working through the state legislature.
- Move by Rick, second by Ned to adjourn. Passed unanimously.
- Meeting ended at ~18:45.

Next Meeting

- The next meeting will be the fourth Thursday of June, 6/26/2025 at 18:00.

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