

Russiaville Redevelopment Commission (TIF Board)

Regular Board Meeting

11/16/2023

Present: Mark Fulk, Rick Homkes, Kevin Johnson, Ned Sutherland (late), Roger Waddell

Absent: None

Guest(s): Myrna Claar, Janna Hyman, Jill Newby

Start: 18:05

Topics

Minutes

- Move by Kevin, second by Roger to accept the minutes as presented. Passed unanimously.

Finances

- Reported by Rick that the TIF account balance reported in September was the latest numbers he had seen. Fund balance of ~\$216K, yearly expenditures of ~\$134K, and yearly revenues of ~\$50K.

New Manual

- Mark reported that a new and improved “Handbook for Indiana Redevelopment Commission Members and Their Attorneys” dated November 2023 had been received by the Town and forwarded to all board members. It is 241 pages long.

TIF District and Economic Development Area lines

- Mark reported that an attorney from Barnes and Thornburg will check and recompile all the property id’s for new district lines. Move by Roger, second by Rick to request Mark to send all the id’s currently known to Barnes and Thornburg for compilation. Passed unanimously.

Town Signage

- Mark reported that he has been talking to INDOT and that permits must be submitted by the Town, not Clifford. Move by Roger, second by Ned to request Mark to move forward with filling out and submitting the permit requests. Passed unanimously.

Generators for Community Center

- Board decided to put this project on hold until more is completed with the signage.

Kinsey Street Sidewalk

- This project is on hold until more is completed on the South Union sidewalk extension.

Community Center Project

- Jill and Janna from the Park and Tree Board presented plans for the Community Center Playground, Picnic Shelter, and Restroom Project. This is a plan for an inclusive

playground on the east side of the recreational trail with a shelter and standalone restroom on the west side (Community Center side) of the trail. They submitted a request for consideration of \$50K to support the project. This would enable them to request another \$50K from the IDNR. Discussion followed. Concern was raised by some board members regarding the restroom, namely who would do the cleaning and the cost of such. Also discussed was possible vandalism. No motion was made. The Park and Tree Board will respond to these concerns.

Closing

- Next meeting set for 12/28/2023 at 18:00.
- NOTE: the scheduled 10/26/2023 was cancelled so there are no minutes for that meeting.

Meeting ended at ~19:25.

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