

TOWN OF PORTER
Redevelopment Commission Meeting
303 Franklin Street
November 17, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: President Mike Genger, Jon Granat, Bruce Snyder, Trevin Fowler

Absent: Ron Stone

Also present: Attorney Patrick Lyp, Director of Engineering Matt Keiser, and Secretary Karen Spanier. Vice-President Al Raffin arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Consideration of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to approve minutes of the October 27, 2009 meeting was made by Jon Granat, second made by Trevin Fowler.

Motion passed 4-0

Consideration of Claim Docket

Trevin Fowler made the motion to approve the November claim docket in the amount of \$372,847.57, with Jon Granat making the second. Motion passed 5-0.

Audience Participation

Bill Cantrell questioned why there was not any public discussion prior to the Commission's purchase of the Brickyard property.

Jennifer Klug asked if there will be any public discussion before any plans or development is approved for the property.

Bill Suarez inquired if an appraisal was done on property and if the amount supported the purchase price.

Reports

Mr. Keiser stated he has received the engineering estimates to shorten the Orchard Pedestrian Way and will give his recommendation to the Commission once he has reviewed.

The Brickyard Trail plans are in the process of being revised to include bridges rather than tunnels, and are still on schedule to begin construction next year.

Mr. Genger announced the RDA held their Board of Director's meeting at Town Hall this morning and granted the Town's request to fund year one of the IN 49 Lakeshore Gateway Corridor Development Project in the amount of \$1,816,500.

The Commission by consensus authorized Mr. Genger and Mr. Kieser to keep the project moving forward on all aspects.

Old Business

None

New Business

Stormwater Board President, Bill Cantrell addressed the Commission on the flooding issues of Waverly Rd, just south of the Amtrak Railroad. Mr. Cantrell stated the Stormwater has very limited funds and asked if the Commission would consider helping fund this project. Mr. Kieser will work on developing different options and cost estimates to help relieve drainage problems.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jon Granat, with Al Raffin making the second.

Meeting Adjourn. 7:25 p.m.

Mike Genger, President

Bruce Snyder

Trevin Fowler

Albert Raffin, Vice-President

Jon Granat

Attest: _____
Karen Spanier, Secretary