TOWN OF PORTER

Redevelopment Commission Meeting 303 Franklin Street

July 25, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

and Ron Stone

Absent: Vice-President Al Raffin, Secretary Karen Spanier

Also present: Director of Engineering Matt Keiser, Attorney Patrick Lyp

Consideration of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to approve minutes of the June 23, 2009 meeting was made by Bruce Snyder; second by Trevin Fowler.

Motion passed 4-0

Consideration of Claim Docket

Bruce Snyder made the motion to approve the July claim docket as presented, with Jon Granat making the second. Motion passed 4-0.

Audience Participation

None

Reports

Mr. Keiser asked the Commission's approval to have stone placed for a safer entrance to the Orchard Pedestrian Bridge.

Mr. Fowler made the motion to put gravel on the approach to the bridge, not to exceed \$600.00; Mr. Granat made the second.

Motion passed, 4-0

Permission was requested from Mr Keiser to seek concept drawings to determine optimal parking configurations for the vacant lot across from Town Hall.

Motion to develop concepts was made by Mr. Fowler and the second made by Mr. Snyder. Motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Keiser updated the commission on the Brickyard Trail stating the stage 3 review with INDOT is complete and we are now at the final tracings stage, which is the last stage before bidding and letting. The commission discussed finding other financing sources to help offset the additional cost of \$780,000.00 to construct the tunnel; after much discussion Mr. Snyder made the motion to have Mr. Keiser begin a cost analysis to remove the tunnel and put in a bridge over U.S. Hwy 20. Mr. Granat made the second. Motion passed 4-0

On the update to the Orchard Pedestrian Way, Mr. Keiser stated it would cost \$23,000.00 just for Haas & Associates to re-engineer an alternate route and other unknown costs could be significantly higher. The Commission, by consensus decided not to change the original route along Waverly Rd. and instructed the Director of Engineering to move forward as planned.

Old Business

None

New Business

None

Commission Comments

Mr. Snyder made the motion to accept Resolution number RDC 2009-01 with Mr. Fowler making the second. Motion carried 4-0.

By consensus the Commission agreed to schedule an executive session next month to discuss possible land acquisition.

Mr. Granat made the motion to adjourn.

Mr. Snyder seconded.

Mike Genger, President

Albert Raffin, Vice-President

Jon Granat

Bruce Snyder

Attestr Karen Spanier, Secretary