

**TOWN OF PORTER
PORTER REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
303 FRANKLIN STREET
September 14th, 2004**

Bill Sexton called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and lead the Pledge of Allegiance

Present were: Bill Sexton, Paul Childress, Trudi Gallagher, Joe LaBate, and Sandy Booth

Minutes of the August 24th meeting were reviewed.

Sandy Booth Moved to Approve minutes as presented.

Trudi Gallagher seconded

Motion passed 5-0

The following claims were reviewed:

Duneland Group Engineering for Bike Trail \$631.84

Trudi Gallagher moved to approve claims as presented

Sandy Booth Second

Motion passed 5-0

Petitions from the Floor.

Town Council President Jennifer Granat requested that the Redevelopment Commission

Investigate the sewer problem with the womens bathroom at town hall. Bill Sexton said he would look into it.

Reports from Officers

President's report – None

Secretary-Treasurer report. Financial report is attached. Redevelopment Authority paperwork issue was discussed and it was agreed that Paul Childress should submit the paperwork for them.

OLD BUSINESS

Duneland Group made a presentation on the status of the Porter Bike Trail. A map and interoffice memo is attached to these minutes. Paul Childress moved to build the bike trail starting at the Calumet Trail thru the National Lakeshore and to Yost School. Sandy Booth Seconded.

Motion Passed 5-0

Duneland Group will try to get an approval from the Federal Highway Department to build the trail in 2 phases while the final connection from Yost School to the Prairie Duneland trail is worked out. It was announced that Indian Ave. is the currently approved route, however, we are studying alternatives. 4 other routes are being studied. More discussion ensued with Indiana Ave residents voicing their opposition to the current route.

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NEW BUSINESS

The Town Hall computer system was discussed and a proposal to improve it was presented by Justin Hodges. (see attached) It was pointed out that at this time the money does not exist to accomplish this task, however, it is something that needs further study. It is to remain on the agenda for future consideration.

Comments from Commissioners.

Sandy Booth announced the Porter bike trail naming contests. Flyers will be sent to Yost school with a deadline for entry of September 30th. School children and anyone else interested can submit names. A winner is to be chosen by October 12th.

Paul Childress moved to adjourn the meeting

Joe LaBate seconded

Motion passed 5-0

Meeting adjourned at 6:55pm

William Sexton, President

Sandy Booth, Vice-President

Paul L. Childress, Secretary/Treasurer

Joe LaBate

Trudi Gallagher