

TOWN OF PORTER
Redevelopment Commission Meeting
303 Franklin Street
March 25, 2008

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Bill Sexton, Mike Genger, Dave Babcock

Absent: Al Raffin, Trevin Fowler

Also present were Attorney Patrick Lyp, Town Engineer Warren Thiede, Financial Consultant Dan Botich and Clerk Treasurer Carol Pomeroy.

Consideration of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion to approve minutes of the February 25, 2008 meeting as written was made by Dave Babcock; second by Mike Genger.

Motion passed 3-0.

Consideration of Claim Docket

Claim docket was presented in the amount of \$23,794.43; Dave Babcock made the motion to approve as presented. Mike Genger made the second, Motion passed 3-0.

Audience Participation

None

Reports

Public Work Director Brenda Brueckheimer requested from the Redevelopment Commission help to fund along with the Stormwater Board the Johnson Street Drainage Project.

Mr. Sexton advised the project is not in the TIF District. Atty Lyp stated the Redevelopment Commission could loan the Stormwater Board the money with the understanding it would have to be paid back.

Engineer Warren Thiede stated the Stormwater Board will be recommending to the Town Council an amendment to the stormwater fee ordinance for commercial property.

Mike Genger made the motion to table the Johnson Street Drainage Project until next meeting; Dave Babcock seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

Old Business

Orchard Pedestrian Bridge -Haas will prepare procurement bids, Lake Michigan Coastal gave ok to contract. Bid opening will be April 29th, with construction to begin about 8 weeks after awardment.

Brick Yard Trail –Representatives from Porter, Chesterton, INDOT, and NIRPC met to discuss the connections of trails between Porter & Chesterton. Porter offered to build two 5 foot wide sidewalks along Jackson Blvd. Chesterton will take under advisement at their next meeting.

New Business

TIF Expansion – Dan Botich with Cender & Co. spoke of pruning seven current TIF parcels and adding five new areas, he will write resolution and advertise for public hearing on April 22, 2008 and then again on April 27th, 2008.

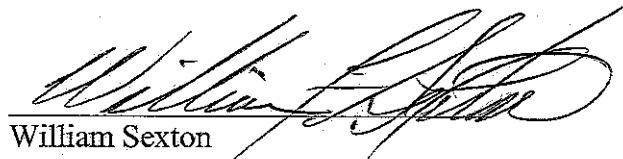
Motion to advertise for public hearing made by Dave Babcock; second by Mike Genger.

Motion passed 3-0.

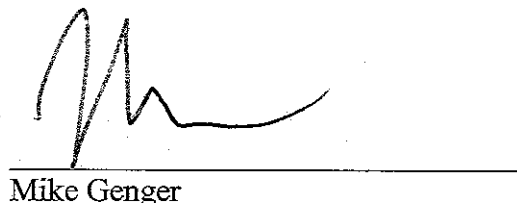
Mike Genger moved to adjourn meeting, Dave Babcock seconded.

Motion passed 3-0.

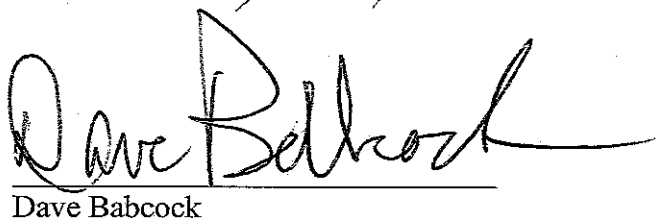
Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.



William Sexton



Mike Genger



Dave Babcock