TOWN OF PORTER

Redevelopment Commission 303 Franklin Street

November 25, 2014

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

Present: President Jeannine Virtue, Vice President Erik Wagner, Rob Pomeroy, Greg Stinson, and

John Marshall, non-voting member

Absent: Joe Simanski

Also present: Attorney Gregg Sobkowski, Director of Development Mike Barry, and Secretary Karen

Spanier.

Approval of Minutes

Greg Stinson made the motion to approve the August 26, 2014 minutes as written with Rob Pomeroy making the second.

Motion carried 4-0.

Consideration of Claims

Motion to approve the November claims was made by Greg Stinson. Erik Wagner made the second. Motion carried 4-0.

Audience Participation

None

Reports

Director of Development Mike Barry stated that there is a gas line on Waverly Road that runs along the Orchard Pedestrian Bridge that is leaking and corroding and in need of replacement. NIPSCO would like to move the line to the other side of the bridge, which is on the Town's property requiring them to obtain an easement. The cost of the appraisal is \$1,500.00 and once invoice is paid, Barry will send to NIPSCO for reimbursement.

Motion to approve Appraisal Invoice in the amount of \$1,500.00 was made by Rob Pomeroy. Erik Wagner made the second.

Motion carried 4-0.

Attorney Sobkowski had nothing to report.

Old Business

None

New Business

Downtown Sidewalk Grant Contract

Director Barry noted the Town received a \$32,000.00 Livable Communities Grant through N.I.R.P.C. to fund review of the downtown sidewalks in preparation for future upgrades. SEH's proposal was previously approved, but a standard INDOT LPA Contract need to be approved for project to begin.

Greg Stinson made the motion to approve the Grant Contract, with Erik Wagner making the second.

Motion carried 4-0.

DK Trail Donation

Director Barry explained the last portion of the DK Trail to be built would require a permit from the National Lakeshore, which would be a lengthy process. National Lakeshore recommended the Town donate that section of the trail once we are done building it to them and they will take over the maintenance, no permit required.

Motion to donate trail section in lieu of permit was made by Greg Stinson. Erik Wagner made the second.

Motion carried 4-0.

Commission Comments

Stinson questioned changing the next meeting which is scheduled for December 23rd; he announced the Council has changed their meeting to the 29th. By consensus, the Commission has rescheduled the 12/13/14 meeting to December 29th @ 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Erik Wagner made the motion to adjourn, with Rob Pomeroy making the second. Meeting Adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Jeannine Virtue, President

Erik Wagner, Vice-President

Rob Pomerov

Greg Stinson

Attest

Karen Spanier, Secretary