MINUTES

WHITLEY COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Tuesday, March 12, 2019
WHITLEY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER

1st FLOOR-COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM

MEMBERS PRESENT

MEMBERS ABSENT

STAFF

Jim Argerbright

Frank Kessler

Jon Myers

Tiffany Forrester

George Schrumpf

Nathan Bilger Jennifer Shinabery

Michael Schrader

GUESTS none

LEGAL COUNSEL

Kim Wheeler Jill Western

Andy Boxberger

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Argerbright called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m. and read roll call.

IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES

The minutes for the February 26, 2019 regular meeting were presented for approval. Mr. Wheeler made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; Mr. Schrader seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

RAIL CONNECT SPEC BUILDING STATUS UPDATE

Mr. Myers informed the Commission that County Council had approved the tax abatement request for the additional 150,000 square feet. He explained that a business is looking to consolidate their separate locations and occupy the entire 250,000 square foot spec building. He explained the subsequent request from Mr. D'Italia for the RDC to consider reapplying costs and lease the old building instead of the new. The general consensus was positive.

SDI-COLUMBIA CITY SEWER PROJECT UPDATE

Mr. Bilger stated that the final remaining easement agreement with DBB, LLC was signed and recorded. He also explained that with the most recent invoices, the Commission's financial commitment of \$2.5 million has been spent. There was some discussion regarding the status of the contracts with Donohue & Associates and also BCS Management. The Commission's consensus was to end financial involvement in the project since the commitment had been fulfilled, with the contracts available for the City to continue forward with if they desired.

IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS

Claims were reviewed and consisted of: Northeastern REMC in the amount of \$117.00 and Rail Connect Park Business Owners Association, Inc. for \$5,108.24. Invoices for the SDI-CC Sewer Project were also reviewed and consisted of: BCS Management for \$8,415.10 (Request No. 22), Engineering Resources, Inc. for \$24,251.26 (Request No. 23), Robert E. Crosby, Inc. for \$349,146.00 (Request No. 24) and Dunigan Bros, Inc. for \$785,588.15 (Request No. 25). Mr. Schrader made a motion to approve the claim and invoices; Mr. Schrumpf seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

There being no further business or public comment, Mr. Argerbright declared the meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

Whitley County Redevelopment Commission

Attest:

Michael Schrader, Secretary