

CASS COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING
May 15, 2019

A Tax Increment Finance (TIF) Report Presentation was given by Jason Semler of Baker Tilly to be in compliance with IC 36-7-25-8. All overlapping Taxing Units were personally invited to attend by US Mail Invite.

President Dave Arnold called the Cass County Redevelopment Commission (RDC) to order at 9:29 A.M. in the Commissioner's Hearing Room.

Redevelopment Commission Members Present: Dave Arnold, Grover Bishop, Brian Reed, Jim Sailors and John Hillis, RDC Attorney

Attendees: Brian Pohlar and Dick Weigel, - HWC Engineering, Lora Redweik – Twelve Mile, Arin Shaver – Planning Dept., and Kyle Carlson and Jason Semler - Baker Tilly

Minutes: A motion was made by Grover to accept the minutes for the regular meeting on March 20, 2019 RDC Meeting, seconded by Jim; Motion carried.

Claims: Jim made a motion to pay the claim for HWC in the amount of \$23,000, seconded by Brian; Motion carried.

Christy gave her Economic Development Report. April was a busy month, she attended the ProMat Trade Show, met with several industries, including finalizing the contract with Logan Stamping. Broadband infrastructure remains a priority for her. CAF 3 funding has been announced. Dave said he was excited to see the announcement of SAAB coming to West Lafayette. Christy is positive that our local industries and the possibility of attracting 2nd and 3rd tier companies to support Saab would be beneficial to Cass County.

Other Business:

Dick Weigel from HWC Engineering gave an update on progress on the Fire Protection project, including the Andersons' .47 acre for the tank site location. Railroad and INDOT permits need updated. RR permits could take a couple months to receive, and INDOT is generally 30-60 days. Jim made a motion to authorize Christy Householder to sign needed RR and INDOT Permits, as needed, seconded by Brian. Motion carried. Jim made a motion to proceed with utility coordination as planned, seconded by Brian. Motion carried. It was noted that permanent utility easements and deed descriptions may have some appraisal fee changes (\$750-1000) due to locating the utility infrastructure on the west side of 400 W rather than the east side.

Attorney James Knight prepared a deed for the RDC to consider. Grover made a motion to authorize Dave Arnold to sign a deed and transfer back real estate to the Town of Walton that was held by the RDC as a community partner for the blight grant they received a few years ago.

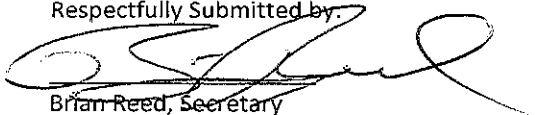
Christy requested to add rocks around the Cass County Agribusiness Park Sign to help with esthetics. Weeds will be growing up and around the sign making it unattractive. The RDC has 10 acres and the 57 acres that they need to maintain with mowing, weed eating, etc. And TIF cannot be used for maintenance. They asked Christy to see if there was any money in contractual or use the lease payment funds received on leased properties.

No public comments

The next meeting for the Cass County Redevelopment Commission will be on Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 9am. The meeting will be held in the Commissioner's Hearing Room.

Adjournment: Grover made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jim; Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted by


Brian Reed, Secretary