



REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
801 MICHIGAN AVENUE  
LA PORTE, INDIANA 46350

**Redevelopment Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, November 30, 2022  
5:15 PM**

A meeting of the City of La Porte Redevelopment Commission (“Commission”), was held at City Hall on Wednesday, November 30, 2022 at the hour of 5:15 PM, (“local time”), pursuant to notice duly given in accordance with the rules of the Commission and the Indiana Open Door Law.

The meeting was called to order by President Brian Chalik at 5:15 PM.

On a call of the roll, the members of the Commission were shown to be present or absent as follows:

**Members Present:** Mr. Brian Chalik, Mr. Damon Gasaway, Ms. Betsy Parkison, Mr. JT McDermott, and Ms. Jenna Francesconi

**Members Absent:** None.

**Guests Present:** Mr. Bert Cook, Mr. Craig Phillips, Mr. Nick Minich, Mr. John Smith, and Ms. Amanda Haverstick.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by Jenna Francesconi to approve the meeting minutes from the regular October 26th, 2022 meeting and seconded by Damon Gasaway. The motion passed 5-0.

**Claims:** Damon asked a question for clarification on the Groundwater Monitoring contract and Nick Minich explained the contract responsibilities for payments. A motion was made to approve the November 30th, 2022 claims docket by Jenna Francesconi and seconded by Betsy Parkison. The motion passed 5-0.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. Monroe Streetscape Design Update – Craig reported on the summary from the joint public workshop with the Business Improvement District. The City will be receiving a pattern book for the entire Business Improvement District for streetscape elements from Hitchcock Design rather than proceeding with the Monroe Streetscape project.
- B. Downtown Parking Study Update – Craig reported that comments were received from City Staff and Traffic Commission members. The consultant is working on final recommendations and will present to the RDC with the BID in a few months once the study is complete.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Craig presented the encumbrance memo for reserving funds to pay outstanding contracts and invoices. A motion was made to accept the encumbrance memo for outstanding contracts by JT McDermott and the motion was seconded by Damon Gasaway. The motion passed 5-0.

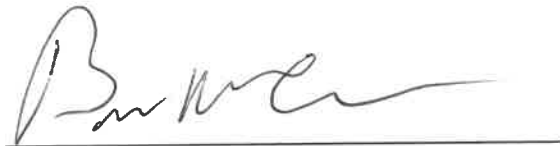
**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Nick explained that this is a good time to start looking at getting quotes and bids for completing the west basin behind the medical office in NewPorte Landing. JT McDermott made a motion to approve opening up to bids for the West Basin and the motion was seconded by Jenna Francesconi. The motion passed 5-0.

Nick explained that the State needs to acquire 2,141 square feet of property located along Furnace Street for the Local Trax grade separation project on Tipton Street. Nick recommends donating the land to the State. JT McDermott made a motion to donate 2,141 square feet of property located along Furnace Street to the State of Indiana and the motion was seconded by Damon Gasaway. The motion passed 5-0.

Brian mentioned that the December RDC meeting will need to be moved to December 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 pm. The board concurred with the meeting date change.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Damon Gasaway moved to adjourn the meeting; Jenna Francesconi seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 5:33 PM.



Brian Chalik, President



JT McDermott, Secretary