# **MINUTES**

#### NEW ALBANY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The regular meeting of the New Albany Redevelopment Commission was held on Tuesday, October 8, 2019 at 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room, City-County Building, New Albany, Indiana.

Commission Members Present: Irving Joshua, President

Adam Dickey, Vice President David Barksdale, Secretary

Terry Middleton Scott Stewart

Elaine Murphy, School Board Advisory Member

Staff Members Present: Josh Staten, Redevelopment Director

Jessica Campbell, Public Facilities Specialist (PFS)

Claire Johnson, Neighborhood Initiatives Assistant (NIA)

Others Present: Trent Baker, TJB Consulting

Lisa Donohue, NAHA

Angie Kleer, Michell Allen Ritz Linda Moeller, City Controller

Robbie Norrington, Union Representative Tomas Ramirez, Michell Allen Ritz Bob Stein, United Consulting

The President called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Roll was called.

The first item of business was the **Bid Opening** for the **2019 Griffin Recreation Center Improvements Project Phase 3**. Angie Kleer, Michell Allen Ritz, stated that no bids were received and that when she spoke with several of the contractors they noted issues due to schedule and difficulty finding available masons. Ms. Kleer stated that this project was 95% masonry work. The Director added that there was approximately a \$200,000 budget for this project and that it had been broken down into several different alternates and suggested that it be rebid in a month or so. Mr. Norrington asked if it would be readvertised. The Director responded that it would.

The second item of business was the **Approval of the Minutes** from the **September 24, 2019** meeting. Mr. Barksdale motioned to approve the minutes from the September 24, 2019 meeting. Mr. Dickey seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

The third item of business was the **Comments from the Public**. The President noted that there were none.

## Old Business:

The President noted that there was no old business.

#### New Business:

The first item of New Business was the Claims Worksheet dated 10/7/2019. Mr. Barksdale asked about the \$1,300.00 amount to cut and weed 26 properties and if that number is starting to dwindle down. The Director stated that they are actively working on moving these properties and will continue to do so. Mr. Middleton remarked about the \$644.00 amount for an elevator repair on 7/22/2019 and added that they should anticipate for more repairs during Harvest Homecoming. The PFS responded that there seems to have been less of a need for repairs lately. Mr. Middleton motioned to approve the Claims Worksheet dated 10/7/2019 for the total amount of \$96,448.35. Mr. Stewart seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

## Other Business:

The first item of Other Business was the President's request for periodic updates on ongoing Redevelopment projects. The Director agreed that this could be arranged. The Director added that the two projects on **Vincennes Street** are moving forward.

The second item of Other Business was a question from Mr. Barksdale about the development on W. 7<sup>th</sup> Street. The Director responded that transfer is being finalized.

The third item of Other Business was Mr. Middleton's inquiry about the **former Super America property** on Grant Line Road. The Director stated that they are trying to track down the right person to talk to about moving forward with that property. The President stated that he believed that there were stipulations on the use of this former gas station. The Director stated that they will continue to work to find a solution for this property.

The fourth item of Other Business was an update on the **pocket park at E. Main Street and 15**<sup>th</sup> **Street**. Mr. Dickey stated that progress is moving along nicely and that the trees had been staked, the metal for the layout is down and the concrete is poured.

The fifth item of Other Business was Mr. Barksdale's request for the **utility covers** at Green Valley Road and Daisy Lane to be raised. Mr. Dickey stated that based on a conversation with the City Engineer, he believed that some of the manholes are the property of a utility company and that it would be up to them to remedy these issues. Mr. Barksdale noted a manhole in front of the Salvation Army that needed to be raised.

The sixth item of Other Business was Lisa Donohue complimenting the "Welcome to Uptown" mural on the corner of Vincennes Street and Spring Street looks. Mr. Barksdale thanked the NIA for initiating that project.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:46 PM.

Approved and Adopted this 12th day of November, 2019.

Irving Joshua, President

ATTEST:

David Barksdale, Secretary