



REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
801 MICHIGAN AVENUE  
LA PORTE, INDIANA 46350

**Redevelopment Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, January 25, 2023  
5:15 PM**

A meeting of the City of La Porte Redevelopment Commission ("Commission"), was held at City Hall on Wednesday, January 25, 2023 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, Mrs. Betsy Kabelin Parkison, Mr. JT McDermott, and Ms. Jenna Francesconi

**Members Absent:** None.

**Guests Present:** Mr. Bert Cook, Mr. Craig Phillips, Mr. Dakota Euler, and Ms. Amanda Haverstick.

**Election of Officers for 2023:** Brian called for Election of Officers nominations. JT McDermott made a motion to **nominate Brian Chalik as President, Damon Gasaway as Vice President, and JT McDermott as Secretary** and the motion was seconded by Betsy Kabelin Parkison. The motion passed (5-0).

**Public Comment:** None.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by JT McDermott to approve the meeting minutes from the regular December 14th, 2022 meeting and seconded by Jenna Francesconi. The motion passed 5-0.

**Claims:** A motion was made by JT McDermott to approve the January 25, 2023 Claim Docket and seconded by Damon Gasaway. The motion passed 5-0.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. Bert explained that one of the real estate transactions related to the sale of the Boyd Boulevard Industrial properties has closed and now payment is needed to reimburse the City of La Porte Wastewater Department because they funded the purchase of the property. JT McDermott made a motion to **transfer the \$467,011.65 from the sale of the Boyd Boulevard Industrial property to the City of La Porte Wastewater Department** and the motion was seconded by Jenna Francesconi. The motion passed (5-0).

- B. Bert explained that the 150,000 square foot industrial spec building built by the Qualls family is now eligible for incentive payments. Bert asked for approval from the RDC to hire Thomas Pittman, Barnes & Thornburg, for coordination of insuring that the obligations as listed in the development agreement are met. JT McDermott made a motion to approve the retention of council Thomas Pittman from Barnes & Thornburg and the motion was seconded by Damon Gasaway. The motion passed (5-0).

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

- A. Craig presented the Engagement Letter for RDC Attorney Services for board approval. JT McDermott made a motion to approve the Engagement Letter for RDC Attorney Services with Matthew Hagenow, Newby Lewis Kaminski & Jones, LLP and the motion was seconded by Jenna Francesconi. The motion passed (5-0).

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Damon Gasaway moved to adjourn the meeting; Betsy Kabelin Parkison seconded the motion. The motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 5:24 PM.



Brian Chalik, President



JT McDermott, Secretary