



REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
801 MICHIGAN AVENUE  
LA PORTE, INDIANA 46350

**Redevelopment Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, January 29, 2025  
5:15 PM**

A meeting of the City of La Porte Redevelopment Commission ("Commission"), was held at City Hall on Wednesday, January 29, 2025 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, Mrs. Betsy Kabelin Parkison, Mr. Damon Gasaway, Mr. JT McDermott.

**Members Absent:** Ms. Jenna Francesconi.

**Guests Present:** Mr. Matthew Hagenow, Councilman Tim Franke, Mr. Bert Cook, Mr. Craig Phillips, Mr. Jim Arnold, and Mr. Roscoe Hoffman.

**Election of Officers:** JT McDermott made a motion to **nominate the current slate of officers as Brian Chalik, President; Damon Gasaway, Vice President; and JT McDermott, Secretary** and the motion was seconded by Damon Gasaway. The motion passed 4-0.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Minutes:** A motion was made by JT McDermott to approve the meeting minutes from the regular December 18, 2024 meeting. The motion was seconded by Betsy Kabelin Parkison. The motion passed 4-0.

**Claims:** A motion was made by JT McDermott to approve the January 29, 2025 Claim Docket and seconded by Damon Gasaway. The motion passed 4-0.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Annual TIF Presentation

Andy Mouser presented the annual TIF presentation to the board members and the public. Andy explained the TIF Report booklet on each of the TIF Districts and Allocation Areas. He discussed the analysis of tax implications on overlapping taxing entities.

B. Approval of Public Parking Easement Agreement 150 Pine Lake Avenue

Bert explained the approval of public parking easement agreement on 150 Pine Lake Avenue for the public to have access to Lily Lake. JT McDermott made a motion to **approve the Public Parking Easement Agreement at 150 Pine Lake Avenue** and the motion was seconded by Damon Gasaway. The motion passed 4-0.

C. Approval of Infrastructure Reimbursement Agreement 150 Pine Lake Avenue

Bert explained the approval of infrastructure reimbursement agreement for the work completed at 150 Pine Lake Avenue in relation to the public parking easement agreement. JT McDermott made a motion to **approve the Infrastructure Reimbursement Agreement at 150 Pine Lake Avenue** and the motion was seconded by Damon Gasaway. The motion passed 4-0.

D. Approve on call services contract – Karnerblue Era, LLC

Craig explained the approval of on call services with Karnerblue Era, LLC for finishing up work with regards to the Boyd Boulevard Stormwater Separation EDA and READI grant projects. JT McDermott made a motion to **approve the on call services contract with Karnerblue Era, LLC in the amount not to exceed \$5,000.00** and the motion was seconded by Damon Gasaway. The motion passed 4-0.

E. Approval of 2025 engagement letter – Newby Lewis Kaminski and Jones

Attorney Matt Hagenow explained the contract 2025 RDC legal services with Newby Lewis Kaminski and Jones. JT McDermott made a motion to **approve the 2025 engagement letter with Newby Lewis Kaminski and Jones for RDC legal services** and the motion was seconded by Betsy Kabelin Parkison. The motion passed 4-0.

F. Appoint members to the NewPorte Landing Design and Downtown Design Review Committees

Craig explained that both design review committees require one member from the RDC to participate as needed. JT McDermott made a motion to **nominate Betsy Kabelin Parkison as the RDC liaison for the NewPorte Landing Design and Downtown Design Review Committees** and the motion was seconded by Damon Gasaway. The motion passed 4-0.

**OTHER BUSINESS:** None.

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 4-0.

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 PM.



Brian Chalik, President



JT McDermott, Secretary