

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, February 19, 2009
City Hall Council Chambers

Attendees: Chairman Dick Linville, Alderman Daehle Reitzel, Jeff Bright, Doug Wiersema, Mayor David Blanton, Sandy Henrekin (RFCDC), Richard Downey, Mark Searing and Sylvia Frey
Absent: Alderman Glen Kuhlemier, Karen Reynolds

Roll Call was taken – Quorum was met. Official business could be conducted.

First Order of Business – Approval of prior months minutes (09/18/08 & 12/18/08): Chairman Linville asked the members for approval of minutes for 09/18/08 and 12/18/08. A motion was made by Sandy Henrekin, seconded by Doug Wiersema to approve these minutes. Motion carried – 5 (yes)

Next Order of Business – Ordinance Review – Sec. 10-117 Weeds, Trees and Bushes Declared a Nuisance: Chairman Linville asked Mark Searing to present this ordinance. Mark stated this ordinance would include all weeds/trees/bushes in commercial and residential areas of the city. If owner doesn't comply with the ordinance, their real estate could incur a lien. A motion was made by Jeff Bright, seconded by Sandy Henrekin, to approve this ordinance as presented and refer to Ordinance Committee. Motion carried – 5 (yes).

Next Order of Business – Resolution – City Transfer Jurisdiction and control of Real Estate to IDC: Chairman Linville asked Richard to present this resolution. Richard stated that the City Council has given the IDC jurisdiction and control of the Reliant and PA property sites. It is estimated that the USEPA remediation work will be completed by the end of 2009. Richard presented the members with revised plats for each site for their review. At this time the city is working on a second TIF district which would include a portion of the Reliant property not in the first TIF district. Richard stated the city is working on a State Stipulation Loan which requires payback from 1) sale of property; 2) 33% of making increment improvements; and 3) 33% of sales tax. The USEPA clean up on Lot 4 needs to be done before it can be sold. Richard mentioned there is a 65' easement which would need to be considered for a 'bike path' in the near future. Members will be reviewing all plans presented by developers before making any final decisions on the sale of these two properties, along with the help of the Riverfront Committee as suggested by Mayor Blanton.

Chairman Linville will be out of town for next month's meeting on March 19th and he appointed Jeff Bright as Acting Chairman. Members agreed.

A motion was made by Doug Wiersema, seconded by Alderman Reitzel, to adjourn this meeting. Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard D. Linville, Jr., Chairman