

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, May 21, 2009
City Hall Council Chambers

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

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

First Order of Business – Approval of prior months minutes (03/19/09): Chairman Linville asked the members for their approval of minutes for 03/19/09. A motion was made by Sandy Henrekin, seconded by Doug Wiersema to approve these minutes. Motion carried – 6 (yes)

Next Order of Business – Discussion – Purchase of City Property (Lot #16 RF Subdvsn 2) – Buyer Jerry Sharp – owner of 801 E. 17th Street): Richard Downey stated that Jerry Sharp has been in contact with his office and Mark Searing regarding the purchase of the city owned lot located just north of his property on E. 17th Street. Members expressed their concern regarding Mr. Sharp's intentions for this property and how it correlates with existing covenants. Members wanted to be sure that this property is not primarily used as a 'dump' area for leftover materials/debris. It was suggested to contact Jerry Sharp to invite him to next month's meeting to discuss his request for final determination of cost and intentions. Members asked Richard to contact Jerry for this meeting, or schedule a special meeting to correspond with Jerry's busy working schedule. A motion was made by Sandy Henrekin, seconded by Daehle Reitzel to invite Jerry Sharp to next month's meeting or a special meeting if required. Motion carried – 6 (yes).

Chairman Linville brought up the subject of various park owners who have excess shrubbery, trees and debris on their properties. He asked if the city had ordinances which could be enforced to compensate for removal. Richard stated these are considered 'nuisances' under city ordinances and are enforceable through the city's Building Dept. Alderman Kuhlemier suggested contacting all business owners regarding compliance with this city's ordinance for nuisances. Members directed the Bldg Inspector to send out letters to all business owners in the industrial park in the near future.

Mayor Blanton mentioned that the previous proposal for the Reliant property development has been stalled at this time. Still have developers looking at this property for future plans.

A motion was made by Doug Wiersema, seconded by Sandy Henrekin, to adjourn this meeting. Meeting adjourned at 4:28pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard D. Linville, Jr., Chairman