INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, November 18, 2010 (3:00pm) City Hall Council Chambers

Attendees: Chairman Richard Linville, Jeff Bright, Aldermen Glen Kuhlemier, Karen Reynolds, Richard Downey –

City Administrator, Mark Searing – Building Inspector and Sylvia Frey

Absent: Alderman Daehle Reitzel, Doug Wiersema, Mayor David Blanton and Richard Downey – City

Administrator,

Roll Call was taken - Quorum was met.

<u>First Order of Business – Approval prevous month's minutes (05/20/10):</u> Chairman Linville asked members for their approval of previous month's minutes. A motion was made by Alderman Kuhlemier, seconded by Karen ReynoldsDoug Wiersema, to approve these minutes. Motion carried – 4 (yes)

Next Order of Business – Discussion – 45 acres – Farm Lease 2010-2011: Discussion was held regarding a renewal request from Tom and Dan Witmer for the 45 acres for the 2011-2012 farming season. Members agreed to renew this farm lease for another year, but decided to establish a 2-year renewal term (bids to be let) with soil testing to be conducted accordingly. Once the renewal period has expired for 2012, Alderman Kuhlemier suggested the city should consider conducting the initial soil testing on portions of the land before bid letting in 2012 to assure accurate fertility and ph levels as required in farm lease. The soil testing results would establish a benchmark for all future farming. A motion was made by Alderman Glen Kuhlemier to approve the one year renewal of farm lease to Mr. Thomas Witmer and Mr. Daniel Witmer based on the same terms and conditions of original lease and city would conduct soil testing at the end of 2012 farm season before future bid letting; seconded by Jeff Bright. Motion carried – 4 (yes). As before, a letter will be sent to Mr. Witmer affirming his renewal request with emphasis being made for fertility and ph level maintenance of the existing soil.

A motion was made by Alderman Glen Kuhlemier, seconded by Karen Reynolds to adjourn this meeting. Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm. Next regular meeting is Thursday, December 16, 2010 at 4:00pm at city hall complex.

Respectfully submitted,
Chairman Richard D. Linville, Jr.