

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, July 19, 2012
City Hall Conference Area

Attendees: Chairman Dick Linville, Alderman Daehle Reitzel, Sandy Henrekin – RFCDC, Bethany Bland – RF Chamber, Karen Reynolds, Robbin Blackert – City Administrator, Mayor Blanton, Mark Searing – Building Inspector, and Sylvia Frey

Absent: Jeff Bright and Alderman Glen Kuhlemier

Others: Brian Frickenstein – Willett Hofman & Assocs, Bridgett Flynn - SVN reporter

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

Mayor Blanton introduced Bethany Bland – RF Chamber to the other members as the replacement for Doug Wiersema. Members welcomed Bethany to the commission.

First Order of Business – Approval previous month’s minutes (6/21/12): Chairman Linville asked members for their approval of previous month’s minutes. A motion was made by Sandy Henrekin, seconded by Alderman Daehle Reitzel, to approve these minutes. Motion carried –5 (yes)

Next Item of Business – Discussion – Business Park Design: Brian Frickentstein (WH&A) gave the members copies of aerial view of the city’s property to be considered for business park for their review. It was mentioned there is a 100year flood plain area (10-15 acres) located on the west side of Clearwater Drive just north of Riverside Trailer Park which has to be considered unbuildable and unmarketable property. Brian stated the actual acreage for marketability would be closer to 40 acres to the east of Clearwater Drive plus a possibility of additional 10-15 acres.

Mark Searing mentioned with the proximity of these acreages in respect to the river and acknowledging existing drainage issues along industrial park road; he asked the members for their consideration towards a drainage plan for this new acreage. Robbin Blackert mentioned the city will be utilizing the eastern side of the sewer plant area for materials/dirt/fill and debris which require storage for a period of time for future city projects. Discussion was held for determining the size of lots in relation to marketing and subdivision plans which would be feasible for future developers. Members envisioned this park catering to businesses only and making sure past issues with existing industrial park will not be created. Members discussed the future prospects of water/sewer lines to the Allen’s addition residents along with Riverdale Road residents. Members felt there were too many ideas on how to create this new business park in which to make any firm decisions at this time. Members asked Sandy to conduct research on other cities and their business subdivision plans and bring back this information at next months meeting for their review.

Next Item of Business – Riverfront Update – Project Approval: Sandy Henrekin presented a Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) for Project Eagle to the members for their review and approval. Basically this is an agreement stating RFCDC can negotiate Project Eagle on behalf of the IDC; whereas, this agreement must be signed by both IDC and RFCDC. A motion was made by Bethany Bland, seconded by Karen Reynolds to approve RFCDC negotiating Project Eagle on behalf of IDC. Motion carried – 5 (yes)

With no further business, a motion was made by Sandy Henrekin, seconded by Alderman Daehle Reitzel, to adjourn this meeting. Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm. Next regular meeting is Thursday, August 16, 2012 at 4:00pm

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Richard D. Linville, Jr.