

TOWN OF GRIFFITH
REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Redevelopment Commission President Rich Leber called the July 6, 2016 meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. at the Griffith YMCA, 201 N. Broad Street, Griffith, Indiana.

ROLL CALL

Robert Kurtz, present
Rich Leber, present
Susan Schaub, present
Don Wiltfong, present

ALSO ATTENDING

Rick Ryfa, Griffith Town Council
Gus Parianos, Economic Development Commission
Tom Wichlinski - Economic Development Commission
David Austgen - Austgen, Kuiper & Jasaitis
George Jerome - Griffith Town Council
Chris Charters - Austgen Equipment

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commission member Don Wiltfong motioned to approve the minutes from the June 2016 meeting, seconded by Robert Kurtz. All in favor, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

- Claims - \$135.00 for Recording Secretary minutes for May, June and July 2016. Motion to approve by Susan Schaub, seconded by Robert Kurtz.

OLD BUSINESS

- Closing date scheduled for purchase agreement from Quik Scripts to purchase the Broad St/Lake St property on August 11, 2016 at 9:00 a.m per George Jerome. Location of closing to be determined. Follow up with David Austgen.
- Golf Course Update: No update.
- LaSalle Steel Property: No update per Rick Ryfa and David Austgen.
- Big Box Update from AK&J: Some confusion per David Austgen.

Update from meeting with developers of Griffith Park Plaza from Rick Ryfa: Contracts - offset costs to move Dollar Tree.

China Koon – application dropped off and Kenny and Tom of China Koon putting together bids. Paving at China Koon possible per Rick Ryfa.

Barcades/Restaurant update: No update on opening.

Outstanding and Updated items from June 2016/past meetings:

- E-Motors was given to the end of March 2016 to provide a timeline to complete code violations and a plan to improve the façade of the building. No update or return e-mail since May meeting. Police, fire and code enforcement visited 2 weeks prior to RDC meeting.

Rick Ryfa, President Town Council stated that paving 45th Avenue in Griffith from Cline Avenue to Colfax Avenue will not start until State program takes effect.

Current Griffith Businesses interested/applying for the 2016 Façade/Grant Program

Dr. Robert Hall Chiropractic on 45th Street - Dr. Hall reported that he continues to solicit bids for signage.

Letters to Taxing Entities had been distributed by June 15, 2016 by USPS through Griffith Town Hall.

NEW BUSINESS

- Chris Charters, property manager of Austgen Properties proposes new facade at Glen Park Plaza on 45th Avenue to give the plaza a new look. A material list will be provided to him of products that can be used on plaza facade. Chris will then submit a proposal with the new look of the plaza. Property encompasses 2 streets in Griffith - 45th and Elmer.
- Austgen, Kuiper and Jasaitis will submit an outline marketing highlights for the old bank building on the corner of Broad and Main streets.

There being no further business, Commission member Susan Schaub motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 p.m., seconded by Don Wiltfong. All in favor, motion carried.

Rich Leber, President

Don Wiltfong, Secretary

Beverly Lamberta, Recording Secretary