

TOWN OF GRIFFITH
REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MEETING OF NOVEMBER 25, 2025

Commission Vice President Rich Milled called the November 25, 2025, meeting to order at 6:47 p.m. at the Griffith Town Hall 111 N. Broad Street, Griffith, Indiana.

Those in Attendance

Larry Ballah	Redevelopment President
Richard Miller	ABSENT
Rick Ryfa	Redevelopment Commission Member
Melissa Robbins	Redevelopment Commission Secretary
Tony Hobson	Redevelopment Commission Member
Gina Smith	Absent

Also in Attendance:

Jason Jaques:	Griffith Public School Liaison- ABSENT
Alfredo Estrada:	Attorney
Olivia	Student from Munster, Indiana

Appropriations:	Commission Member Tony Hobson motion to approve appropriation in the amount \$2250.00, Commission Member Melissa Robbins seconded the motion. All in Favor.
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Approval of Minutes	Commission Member Tony Hobson motion to approve October 28, 2025 Minutes, Redevelopment Commission Secretary Melissa Robbins seconded the motion. All in Favor. Commission Member Melissa Robbins made a motion to approve 2025 meeting attendance payout; Commission Member Tony Hobson seconded the motion. All in Favor
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Old Business:

2025 Façade Program Application:

Commission Rick Ryfa stated we don't have any application, but we have proof of payment for Broad Street Tavern one for \$2620.62 and one for \$2215.00, Commission Member Rick Ryfa made a motion to approve reimbursement, Commission Member Melissa Robbins seconded the motion. All in Favor.

2026 Tif Spending Plan:

Commission Member Rick Ryfa stated everyone as received a copy of the Tif Spending Plan for 2026 and noted that part of the spending plan includes \$1.4 Million that goes towards police wages, Commission Member Tony Hobson made a motion to approve, Commission Member Melissa Robbins seconded, All in Favor.

Reacquisition of property: Attorney Alfredo Estrada mentioned we closed on the property at Lake and Broad and can decide what needs to be done, Commission Member Rick Ryfa made a motion to spend to put a fence up around the back of the property and not to exceed \$2500.00, Commission Member Melissa Robbins seconded the motion, All in Favor.

Disposal of Property: Commission Rick Ryfa stated the appraisals are in for the Main St. property know as Andy's Auto Body we can look more into them at the December meeting there was a little part of the property that was discovered so the commission can decide how to put in up for sale as a whole or piece it off.

Franklin Center: Commission President Larry Ballah asked the status of the appraisals of the Franklin Building, Commission Rick Ryfa made a motion to approve the order of the appraisal of the Franklin Center, Commission Member Tony Hobson seconded the motion. All in Favor.

Menards Property: Commission Member Rick Ryfa stated he contacted someone at Menards, and they agreed to set up a meeting for updates.

2025 Tif Spending: Commission Member Rick Ryfa stated we adhered to the plan nothing more than needs to be done at this time.

Pending Items: Commission Member Rick Ryfa stated we have been contacted about a piece of land on the 100 block South Jay Street that would like to donate to the Redevelopment Commission, Commission Member Rick Ryfa made a motion to accept the property and prepare a Resolution that authorized the transfer of the property to the Redevelopment Commission. Commission Member Tony Hobson seconded the motion. All in Favor.

Public Comment: Olivia a student from Munster High School, asked several questions about various procedural matters followed by the board for paper she was doing for her government class.

Meeting closed at 7:10 p.m.

Larry Ballah- President

Rich Miller- Vice President

Michelle Sims- Recording Secretary