

TOWN OF GRIFFITH
REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 4TH, 2013

Commission President Tim Owczarzak called the September 4th, 2013 meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Griffith Franklin Center, 201 N. Broad Street, Griffith, Indiana.

ROLL CALL

Bob Kurtz, present
Rick Leber, present
Rich Miller, present
Tim Owczarzak, present
Don Wiltfong, present

ALSO ATTENDING

Carol Green-Fraley, Attorney
Tony Hobson, Economic Development Commission
Dan Lehnerer, New Oberpfalz Brewery
Rick Ryfa, Town Council Member
Tom Wichlinski, Economic Development Commission

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commission member Don Wiltfong motioned to approve the minutes from the August 7th, 2013 meeting, seconded by Robert Kurtz. All in favor, motion carried.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS

Commission President Tim Owczarzak motioned to approve two claims payable to Green & Kuchel totaling \$883.18. Mr. Kurtz seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Tony Hobson reported on the successful Rock & Rail festival. There was a high turnout and a variety of food available. Several vendors plan on returning next year.

NEW BUSINESS

Tim Owczarzak questioned the process of including Pactiv in the TIF district. Attorney Carol Green-Fraley can amend the TIF District to include Pactiv. She explained that the realistic timeline for the amendment is 6-8 months. Commission President Tim Owczarzak motioned to authorize Attorney Carol Green-Fraley to begin the amendment process, seconded by Rich Miller. All in favor, motion carried. Attorney Carol Green-Fraley will try to have the declaratory resolution for the October 2nd, 2013 meeting.

Commission President informed the Commission members that he would like to suspend the Commercial Revitalization Program. Mr. Miller motioned that the last day applications would be accepted is Wednesday, October 2nd, 2013, seconded by Mr. Kurtz. All in favor, motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Dan Lehnerer, of New Oberpfalz Brewery informed the Redevelopment Commission that he will be closing on the property located at 121 E. Main Street on Friday, September 27th, 2013. Neither buildings will be demolished, but will receive extensive renovations. The consumer portion of the business will be located street side and the commercial building will be in the rear. As of now, there are no plans to connect the buildings. Mr. Wiltfong asked for a timeline. Mr. Lehnerer expects the build out to take 4 to 6 months. Mr. Lehnerer will contact the Redevelopment Commission once he receives the renderings.

REPORTS FROM THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

None

FOLLOW UP

Attorney Carol Green-Fraley will begin the process of amending the TIF District to include the vacant Pactiv building.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was called to order at 7:05 p.m. to discuss various matters. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Tim Owczarzak, President

Robert Kurtz, Secretary

Tricia Kistler, Recording Secretary