

MINUTES

NEW ALBANY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

The regular meeting of the New Albany Redevelopment Commission was held on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 2:30 p.m., in the Assembly Room, City-County Building, New Albany, Indiana

Commission Members Present: Adam Dickey, Vice President
David Barksdale, Secretary
Terry Middleton
Scott Stewart
Elaine Murphy, School Board Advisory Member

Commission Members Absent: Irving Joshua, President

Staff Members Present: Josh Staten, Redevelopment Director
Claire Johnson, Neighborhood Initiatives Assistant (NIA)
Cyndi Krauss, Financial Compliance Manager (FCM)

Others Present: Trent Baker, TJB Consulting
Lisa Donohue, New Albany Housing Authority
Jeff Eastridge, Eastridge LLC
Linda Moeller, City Controller
Bob Stein, United Consulting

The President called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Roll was called. Irving Joshua, President was absent.

The first item of business was the bid opening for **2402 Jollisant Avenue**. The Director stated that no bids were received and that in 30 days, the price could be negotiated with a potential buyer or a Request for Proposals could be issued.

The second item of business was the bid opening for the **Vacant Lot between 1703 and 1711 SR111**. The Director noted that a map of the location had been handed out to the Commission. The Director stated that this property is past Corydon Pike and that the property is not included in any future Greenway plans. Discussion ensued about the location of the property. The Vice President opened the sealed bid and stated that it was for the minimum asking price of \$2,200. He stated that the bid states that it would be paid with a certified check and that Eastridge, LLC plans to combine this vacant lot with the adjoining property. Mr. Stewart asked how the property was acquired. The Director stated that it was purchased before his time. He stated that this is a property that we have to maintain and they have been working to dispose of these properties. Mr. Middleton asked about possible uses for the property. The Director stated that this property had been determined as unusable. Mr. Middleton motioned to approve the purchase of the Vacant Lot between 1703 and 1711 SR 111 to Eastridge, LLC, pending legal review for the minimum asking price of \$2,200. Mr. Barksdale seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

The third item of business was the **Approval of the Minutes from the May 14, 2019 meeting**. Mr. Barksdale motioned to approve the May 14, 2019 minutes. Mr. Stewart seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

The fourth item of business was the **Comments from the Public**. The President noted that there were none.

Old Business:

The Director stated that the bid from the **Alleyway Improvements Project** was still under review and that he would have a recommendation for moving forward at the next meeting. He noted that the bid came in considerably higher than the allotted budget.

New Business:

The first item of New Business was the **Claims Worksheet dated 5/20/2019**. Mr. Stewart asked about the payment to Axis in regards to the Lancaster Lofts. The Director responded that Axis is working on the schematic design as part of the agreement with the developers. The Director stated that they are going in front of the Board of Zoning Appeals next week. Mr. Dickey requested that the developers come to the Commission with an update. The Director stated that he would contact them and invite them to do so. He stated that they are hoping for a late June groundbreaking and that information would be forwarded to them once a date is set. Mr. Barksdale motioned to approve the Claims Worksheets in the amount of \$123,617.10 dated 5/20/2019. Mr. Stewart seconded and the motion carried 4-0.

Other Business:

The first item of Other Business was Mr. Middleton's update on the **parking** signage downtown. He stated that he has been counting the signs that need to be replaced and that he should have his final counts soon.

The second item of Other Business was Mr. Barksdale's announcement regarding the ribbon cutting for the **Kunz-Hartman House**. He stated that on May 20th, there were approximately 150 to 200 people and added that it would be open to the public again tonight at 7 pm.

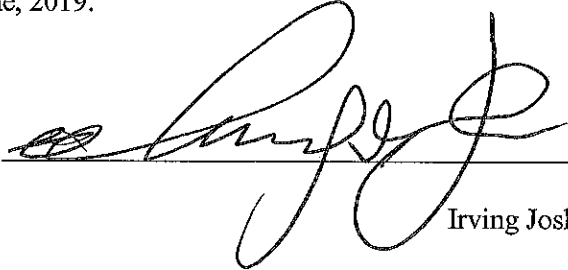
The third item of Other Business was Mr. Dickey's concern about a tree blocking the sidewalk on **Market Street** near the bank parking lot. The Director stated that he would relay this message to have the tree trimmed.

The fourth item of Other Business was Mr. Middleton's suggestion for some type of New Albany signage along the **Ohio River Greenway** near the bridge over Silver Creek. Mr. Dickey suggested an archway similar to those at the park entrances. The Director stated that he will talk to Storm Water and see if there is one planned for the Greenway. He also noted that the police department has increased their patrols since the opening of the bridge, so vandalism should be less of a concern.

The fifth item of Other Business was Mr. Barksdale's inquiry into the **Slate Run Elementary** ribbon cutting. Ms. Murphy stated that the ribbon cutting was scheduled for June 4, 2019 and that the soccer field should be open by the fall.


There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:49 PM.

Approved and Adopted this 11th day of June, 2019.



Irving Joshua, President

ATTEST:



David Barksdale, Secretary