

REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING

Wednesday, May 13, 2009 – 5:30 p.m.

Fire Department Training Room, 401 East Main Street, Stoughton, WI.

Present: Dan Kittleson, Ed Bieno, Alderperson Ron Christianson, Jim Schaefer, Mayor Jim Griffin, Peter Sveum, Gary Becker, Steve Sletten, Alderperson Paul Lawrence.

Also Present: Director of Finance Laurie Sullivan, Diane Reinstad, (Admin. Assistant), Rodney Scheel (Director of Planning), Carrie Cardarella (CLC), Dave Porterfield (Moving Out), Mike Heil, Al Rabin (Commerce), Alderperson Tim Carter, Alderperson Steve Tone, Linda Hanefeld (DNR), Dan Kolberg (DNR)

Call to order: Sullivan called the meeting to order at 5:32 pm.

Election of Officers:

Dan Kittleson was nominated as Chairperson by Sveum, 2nd by Bieno. There were no other nominations.

Motion by Sveum, 2nd by Bieno to close the nominations and elect Dan Kittleson as Chairperson. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Steve Sletten was nominated by Bieno, 2nd by Sveum. There were no other nominations.

Motion by Sveum, 2nd by Bieno to close the nominations and elect Steve Sletten as Vice-Chairperson. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Minutes:

Motion by Lawrence, 2nd by Mayor Griffin to approve the minutes of April 8, 2009 as written. Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Public Comment Period/Communications: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Student Project Presentation: *Motion by Mayor Griffin, 2nd by Lawrence to table the student's project presentation to the next meeting.*

Conference Call with Artspace Projects, Inc.

The RDA Committee held a conference call with Teri Deaver and Wendy Holmes of Artspace. The purpose of the call was for the committee to ask questions regarding the next step in the project plan. Artspace submitted a proposal to the RDA to conduct a feasibility study into the use of the Highway Trailer Building as a work/live space for Artists. The proposed contract would cover the cost of the study, architects, conceptual plans and identifying funding sources. This study would provide Artspace with more information about the property before moving on with the project. The proposed cost is \$700,000. The committee will discuss the proposal at the next RDA meeting.

Grant Updates: The Governor has recommended not funding CBED program this year. BUILD grants are more optimistic.

There is a meeting at the City County Building June 4 @ noon regarding the current BUILD Grant applications. Kittleson will email members about this meeting.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Dave Porterfield...Highway Trailer Building Project

Dave Porterfield from Moving Out and Carrie Cardarella from the CLC presented to the Committee a proposal to use the Highway Trailer Building lots to construct a 41-Unit affordable housing complex. This project would provide approx. 13 housing units for persons with disabilities and 28 workforce-housing units. Mr. Porterfield suggested that a market feasibility study be done this summer as the next step in the process. The study would cost \$7,000.00. It was suggested that the RDA Committee could participate in the market study.

Motion was made by Lawrence, 2nd by Schaefer that we recommend to the Finance Committee that we participate in the funding for a market feasibility study on the Moving Out project.

Motion carried by Ayes, one opposed – Peter Sveum.

Green Team:

Members of the State's Green Team were present to discuss with the Committee available grants from the State that can be used to clean up Brownsfields sites. Each representative went over some of the grants available from their departments and the requirements for each grant.

Linda Hanefeld – DNR – Hydrogeologist – Land Recycling Specialist

Hanefeld gave an overview of contamination clean up and Brownsfields Site Assessment Grants.

Daniel Kolberg, P.E. – Brownfield Specialist

Kolberg reported that \$3,000,000 in federal money is available through the American Recovery Act.

Alan Rabin - Department of Commerce

A total of \$6.3 million is available in Building Fund Grants per fiscal year. (Fiscal year begins July 1st.)

Seven awards are given out to communities with the population under 30,000.

The announcement of deadlines for grants will be out soon.

If our committee has any further concerns – contact Linda Hanefeld.

Additional grants that are available are listed in the Financial Resource Book.

Future Agenda Items: Next meeting June 10, 2009 @5:30 pm in the Hall of Fame Room.

Student Project Presentation

Build Grant

CBED

Discuss the conference call with Artspace

Discuss Dave Porterfield's project

Meeting may go into closed session – check with Matt Roethe

Motion by Sveum, 2nd by Christianson to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 pm.

Motion carried unanimously by acclamation.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Reinstad

Administrative Assistant to Finance Director