

# REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, November 12, 2014 – 5:30 p.m.

Mayor's Office/City Hall

## **Present:**

Jim Schaefer, Dan Kittleson, Peter Sveum, Ron Christianson, John Kramper, Sid Boersma and Finance Director Laurie Sullivan

## **Absent:**

Scott Truehl and Steve Sletten

## **Others Present:**

Gary Becker, Stephen Mar-Pohl, Kevin Carey, Mike Engelberger, Paul Lawrence and Lisa Aide

## **Call to order:**

Sveum called meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

## **Communications:**

None.

## **Minutes of the RDA meeting of October 8, 2014:**

Moved by Christianson, seconded by Boersma, to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2014 RDA meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

## **Discuss any Redevelopment Area Number One developments:**

Kevin Carey, a commercial broker who is representing Holley Moulding/Mill Fab, reported to group that the property is in receivership. Mill Fab is asking 2 million dollars for the property and realizes that is probably not realistic. He would like to know what the City or RDA has in mind for this property and if we would be interested in him representing both the RDA and Mill Fab to work out a deal on this property. Sveum thanked him for the information and the RDA would be in touch if needed.

Gary Becker reported that we should find out about the grant on Monday, November 17<sup>th</sup>. We are among 7 applicants and he believes we have a good chance being awarded the grant for \$10,000. We also need to get permission from Mill Fab to have access to property to do the testing. Lots of work to be done –soil borings and other testing for environmental work, market assessment and title work.

Stephen Mar-Pohl joined group and gave a brief update for his proposed project at the power plant. He is inquiring what resources the RDA would have to help out the power plant project. Discussion took place on building ownership, anticipated costs and grant/loan opportunities. Mar-Pohl will come to a future meeting with cost estimates, financing information and more specifics as to what they are looking for in assistance from the RDA.

Discussion took place on the Mill Fab site and the possibilities now that the property is in receivership. Discussed cost, zoning and environmental issues. Sveum, Sullivan and Becker will meet to discuss what the next steps the RDA should look into taking and report back to group.

**Marathon Site Update:**

Sveum reported he met with Mike Herl and relayed the RDA's frustrations. Herl had nothing new to report with interest in the Marathon site. Sveum recommends we stay with Herl until end of contract and then interview realtors for the Marathon site and the Highway Trailer building.

**Revolving Loan Fund Update:**

Sveum reported no updates at this time.

**Future Agenda Items:**

Redevelopment Area Number One developments  
Revolving Loan Fund Update  
Marathon site  
Listing Contract

**Adjourn:**

Moved by Christianson, seconded by Kittleson, to adjourn at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lisa Aide  
Finance Department