
**CITY OF KALAMAZOO
BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Thursday, September 15, 2016 • Community Room, City Hall**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Nathan Bolton, Fritz Brown, Kevan Hess, Mayor Bobby J. Hopewell, Doug Phillips, Nancy Troff

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jim Escamilla, John MacKenzie, Bob Miller, Patti Owens, Tom Schlueter

CITY COMMISSIONERS/CITY STAFF PRESENT: Eric Kemmer (Development Manager), Martin N. Markos (Executive Assistant); John Kneas (City Attorney); Rebekah Kik (City Planner)

Meeting was called to order at 7:34 a.m. by Chair Phillips

MOTION TO EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS: Ms. Troff moved to excuse absent members; supported by Mr. Brown. Motion approved by voice vote unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Ms. Troff moved approval of the agenda; supported by Mr. Hess. Motion approved by voice vote unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF July 21, 2016: Mayor Hopewell moved approval of the minutes; supported by Ms. Troff. Motion approved by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: Mr. Kisscorni provided a line-by-line review of the financial statements, answering all questions to the satisfaction of the board. Mr. Brown moved approval of the financial statements; supported by Mr. Bolton. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Consideration of a recommendation to authorize expenditures not to exceed \$28,374 to assist Family Health Center to cover the cost of abandoning four former industrial water supply wells that were discovered during construction of their new facility located at 505 E. Alcott (Action: motion to approve the expenditures not to exceed \$28,374 to assist Family Health Center to cover the cost of abandoning four former industrial water supply wells that were discovered during construction of their new facility located at 505 E. Alcott)

Mr. Kisscorni reviewed the original project with the board. Mr. Kisscorni informed the board of the difficulties regarding four former industrial wells, noting that proposal was for the BRA to pay for half of the total cost.

Ms. Troff motioned to approve the expenditure of the funds; supported by Mr. Hess. Motion passed via roll call vote.

Update on Imagine Kalamazoo (Rebekah Kik, Kalamazoo City Planner)

After introductions, Ms. Kik explained that the last masterplan update was in 2010. She noted that the current plan is focusing on actionable items, with theme focus coming from Imagine Kalamazoo and community outreach. Ms. Kik conveyed that the City is looking for partners on programs in order to utilize the expertise of our local community. All questions were answered to the satisfaction of the board.

Update on Urban Growth Initiative Study (Andrew Haan, Governor's Office of urban and Metropolitan Initiatives)

Mr. Haan briefly explained the UGI and their role in the community, noting the success of the kickoff meeting and interest from key community partners. He also took this time to thank the board for their support. Mr. Haan took time to explain the assessment, alignment and action phases of the current UGI plan. Mr. Haan answered all questions to the satisfaction of the board.

OLD BUSINESS

None

COMMUNICATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Kisscorni informed the board that the scope of the Exchange Project has changed, and that there was potential for the development agreement to come to the board in October for amendment.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:24 a.m.



Martin N. Markos, Executive Assistant



Douglas Phillips, Chair