

Huntertown Redevelopment Commission (RDC)

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Minutes from Huntertown Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes
Monday March 31, 2021 via Zoom / Town Hall

Member present at the Town Hall: Brandon Seifert; via Zoom video meeting: Mike Stamets, Rob Green, Theresa Steele and Ken McCrory. Also present were Ryan Schwab, Huntertown Clerk-Treasurer and Beth Shellman, Huntertown Town Manager.

B. Seifert called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag was recited by all present.

Oath of Office: R. Schwab administered the Oath of Office to Brandon, Mike, Theresa, Ken and Rob.

Election of Officers: A motion was made and seconded for Brandon Seifert as President (Theresa Steele – Rob Green). The motion was passed by unanimous vote. A motion was made and seconded for Mike Stamets as Vice President (Brandon Seifert – Theresa Steele). The motion was passed by unanimous vote. A motion was made and seconded for Rob Green as Secretary (Brandon Seifert – Mike Stamets). The motion was passed by unanimous vote. All RDC members need to stop at the Town Hall to sign the Oath of Office.

Meeting Minutes: A motion was made and seconded to approve the meeting minutes from the April 6, 2020 meeting (Rob Green – Mike Stamets). The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

New Business:

- 1) B. Shellman reported that the Annual Report of the RDC was due by April 15, 2021. This report covers the RDC meetings, cost analysis and history. It states the RDC Officers, the TIF area boundaries, meeting minutes and possible projects.

Development in the TIF areas has begun. A motion was made and seconded to approve the Annual Report (Ken McCrory – Theresa Steele). The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

- 2) R. Schwab reported on the RDC budget. The Town Council appropriated \$130000 to the RDC for streetscape projects (\$75000), Infrastructure (\$25000) and Vehicles / Equipment (\$30000). The current account for the RDC is \$0.00.
- 3) B. Seifert asked if any money was collected from the Fort Wayne Storage development. This project was begun prior to the RDC being formed. Any future improvements to the facility will generate funds.
- 4) The expansion of ACM facility on Lima Rd. will generate funds but the Town Council granted a tax abatement so the funds will be limited.
- 5) The Byron development will be generating funds in the near future.

Reports:

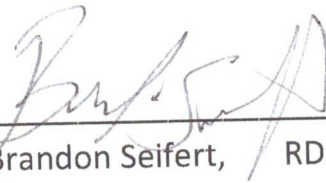
- 1.) R. Schwab reported that the American Rescue Plan recently approved will allot money to the Town. Possible grants to use this fund could be for facade grants and broadband grants. Funds need to be spent by December 31, 2024. The first allotment of funds is slated for mid-May 2021 and the second is slated for March 2022. The Town was allotted \$1.42 million and it can be spent on any of the four criteria:
 - a. Residential or business Covid-related
 - b. Essential employees
 - c. Lost revenue – Covid-related
 - d. Water / sewer / broadbandCurrently waiting on direction from the State on how to spend the money. R. Schwab has a meeting with the State Board of Accounts to get guidance.
- 2.) B. Shellman to email RDC members the template for the Façade Grant and suggests the members consider where these funds can be spent – either within the entire RDC boundary or set limits. The members should also consider a 50/50 match or a set cap amount for the grants.

Public Comment: (please keep to 3 minutes) – no comments received.

Adjournment: The next meeting of the RDC will be at 5:00PM on May 17, 2021 at the Town Hall to complete business prior to the next report due date of June 15, 2021. There being no further business, a motion was made and seconded (Ken McCrory – Mike Stamets) that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was passed by unanimous vote at 6:25 p.m.



Rob Green, RDC Secretary



Brandon Seifert, RDC President