

**Whitley County Redevelopment Commission**  
**May 5, 2009**

The Whitley County Redevelopment Commission met on Tuesday, May 5, 2009 in the Commissioner's Room located on the first floor of the Whitley County Government Center. In attendance were Chairman William Overdeer, Vice Chairman James Argerbright, Secretary Michael D. Schrader, Tom Rethlake and non-voting member Brooks Langeloh. Also in attendance was Dave Koenig of Region III-A, Dr. Fitch, Dr. Randall Conley and Dr. Robert Koontz. The minutes were recorded by Auditor Linda Gerig.

**IN THE MATTER OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND VENDOR PAYABLES:** The minutes of March 24 and the vendor payables for May 5, 2009 were approved as presented. Argerbright abstained from the vote on the vendor payables.

**IN THE MATTER OF TAX ABATEMENT REQUEST:** The request for tax abatement came from Conley, Finch and Koontz Investments, LLC. The project is a state-of-the-art equine hospital which will merge three separate equine veterinary practices and have a regional market, including Michigan and Ohio. Construction of a 13,000 square foot facility is planned to start May 15, 2009 and be completed by November, 2009. The estimated value of the facility is \$1,700,000. The term of the abatement request is ten-years. There are currently 8 employees with expectations of adding 7 more. This facility will be unique to Whitley County because there is no other like it in the county. Surgical, advanced medical services and full pharmacy services will be provided for horses. After further discussion, Resolution Number RC2009-02 was presented for consideration. Argerbright moved to approve the abatement for a period of ten years. The motion was seconded by Rethlake and passed with a 4/0 vote. The abatement request will be presented to county council.

**IN THE MATTER OF OTHER BUSINESS:** The Commission will be scheduling Umbaugh to assist with the 2010 Redevelopment budget. James Argerbright discussed funding \$25,000 for Qualitex in Park 30 for sewer and water infrastructure. After discussion, Argerbright moved, seconded by Schrader, to approve the \$25,000 from CEDIT funds. The motion passed 4/0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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William Overdeer, Chairman

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Michael D. Schrader, Secretary