

MINUTES
WHITLEY COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
February 13, 2024
WHITLEY COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER
1st FLOOR-COMMISSIONERS/COUNCIL MEETING ROOM

MEMBERS	PRESENT	ABSENT	STAFF	
Theresa Baysinger	X		Tiffany Deakins	Scott Wagner
Frank Kessler	X		Nathan Bilger	Tamela Tincher
Jon Myers	X		Brent Bockelman	Brad Allen
Michael Schrader	X		Cami Hippenhammer	Dale Buuck
Kim Wheeler		X	LEGAL COUNSEL	
Jill Western	X		Andy Boxberger	
GUESTS IN ATTENDANCE			GUESTS ON-LINE/PHONE	
Abbey Anthony				

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Kessler called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Kessler read roll call. All members present and absent are listed above.

100 SOUTH SEWER PROJECT UPDATES

Mr. Bilger gave a brief update on the sewer project and the current pay application. Discussion was made about the sewer pipe being on site.

DRAINAGE PROJECT UPDATE

Brad Allen provided an update on the drainage project. He stated the additional drainage work was making progress with some delays due to weather. Discussion was made regarding the updated agreement being signed by the Drainage Board at their next meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

Mr. Buuck discussed a business that was interested in a property located in the Union TIF area. He explained that if the interest continues, requests may be made to assist with road and infrastructure improvements.

Mr. Bilger discussed a business visit in the future. Ultra/USSI and ChromaSource were mentioned as possible options.

Mr. Bilger discussed the Planning and Building Department’s annual report.

Ms. Deakins discussed a discrepancy of \$362,307.20 between the RDC funds amount in the accounting ledger and the actual amount in the bank. She explained that this discrepancy amount has been the same for ten to fifteen years and is working with the Treasurer to research and get more details. She mentioned having the Treasurer attend the next RDC meeting to answer questions regarding the issue.

She stated that they are working with the State Board of Accounts on the matter. Discussion was made about needing to have an audit done.

CLAIMS

Claims were presented for review. The claims consisted of:

Whitley County Treasurer	6,700.23	<i>Drainage Reimbursement</i>
API Construction Corp	41,202.45	<i>Sewer Construction</i>
Smith Green School	24,807.47	<i>Training Grant</i>
Star Financial Bank	105,284.99	<i>Loan Payment</i>
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Mr. Schrader made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Mr. Myers seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0.

Discussion was made regarding the vacant gas station on the north side of Highway 30 in Larwill.

Discussion was made regarding using the Taxable Bond balance to fund the sewer project.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Previous minutes of January 30, 2024 were reviewed. Ms. Western stated that a correction needed to be made to show her absence at the meeting. Ms. Baysinger made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections. Mr. Myers Seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by a vote of 4-0.

Mr. Kessler adjourned the meeting at 8:22 A.M.

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ATTEST:

Kim Wheeler, President

Michael Schrader, Secretary