

MINUTES OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING
March 6, 2024

The meeting of the Slinger Redevelopment Authority was called to order by President Stortz at Slinger Village Hall, 300 Slinger Road, Slinger, Wisconsin on March 6, 2024 at 8:00 a.m. in accordance with the Notice of Meeting delivered to the members on Friday, March 1, 2024.

1. Roll Call & Notice of Meeting:

Present: Scott Stortz, Dean Otte, Dianne Retzlaff, Sherry Schaefer, Angelina Iturrian and Colette Troeller. Absent: Corey Foerster

Also Present: Administrator Margaret Wilber, Clerk Tammy Tennies, Engineer Jim Haggerty, and Treasurer Michelle Schoof.

President Stortz informed the members that the open meeting law had been complied with in connection with the meeting. Notice of the meeting was sent to all who requested same and posted in three public locations.

2. Approval or Correction of Minutes from 11-1-2023

Motion Otte/Schaefer/ to approve the minutes of 11-1-2023. Motion passed.

3. Old Business & Action Thereon:

A. Updates on Work Plan Components and Projects

Administrator Wilber discussed the Façade Grant program. She stated that there are funds remaining from the original funds, which should be sufficient for this year, but there could also be increment available to begin funding this program if needed.

Administrator Wilber commented that the 50-Day Brewing developers are currently working with their architect to prepare the final drawings to submit to the State for approval.

Administrator Wilber informed the members that the Village expects to close on purchasing the museum property on Friday, March 8, 2024.

Administrator Wilber also noted that VandeWalle & Associates representatives plan to contact downtown business owners. They previously reached out to owners, so they will now see how things are going and up-date owners on how the TID is performing.

B. Wayfinding Signage Project Update

Administrator Wilber reminded the members that at the November 2023 RDA meeting the discussion about the wayfinding signage project focused on exact placements, particularly whether the signs could be co-located on existing signs or light poles. She commented that staff has determined that these signs will need to have their own poles. Administrator Wilber commented that the locations for these signs are still what the RDA reviewed in November 2023 and at this time staff is looking for a motion to move forward on this project.

Motion Schaefer/Retzlaff to authorize staff to proceed with the Wayfinding Signage Project as directed for a cost not to exceed \$6,656.00. Passed

4. New Business

A. Façade Program Application Review (if needed)

Administrator Wilber presented a façade improvement grant application for Thomas Rothenbach for a repair and repainting of his property at 304 Kettle Moraine Dr. S. She stated that the total cost of the project is \$10,000 and the requested amount is \$5,000. She commented that Mr. Rothenbach was awarded a previous grant for the removal of trees and stumps in the front yard of this property. Administrator Wilber noted that once the trees are removed the house façade will be quite visible from the street. RDA members agreed this is a positive improvement to the property.

Motion Schaefer/Troeller to approve the façade improvement grant application in the amount of \$5,000 to Thomas Rothenbach, 304 Kettle Moraine Dr. S. Passed – Member Dean Otte abstained

C. USDA Communities Facilities Loan Program

Administrator Wilber explained to the RDA members that the Village is in the process of planning and designing a new facility for the Police Department and land for this project is scheduled to be purchased by the end of March. She stated that due to the significant cost of this project, the Village intends to utilize the United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Communities Facilities Loan Program. Administrator Wilber stated that the USDA program is only available to RDAs (or CDAs -Community Development Authorities). She explained the RDA will need to determine that the site can be considered blighted, and will have to take ownership of the property before the USDA funding can be finalized. She also explained that the property would then be considered "leased" to the Village, with the annual lease payment covering the debt service requirements.

Administrator Wilber stated that no action was needed at this time, but did note that a hearing would be scheduled for the next RDA meeting.

5. Adjourn Meeting

Motion Otte/Retzlaff to adjourn at 8:26am. Motion passed.

Prepared by: Tammy Tennies
Clerk/HR

Scott Stortz, Village President