

COLUMBIA CITY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES

October 8, 2024

Members present: President Commissioner Carl Siler
 Vice President Commissioner Scott Gates
 Secretary Commissioner Angela Cotter
 Commissioner Samara Thompson
 Commissioner Tad Varga
 Commissioner David Smith (Ex-Officio)

Members absent: ---

Also in attendance: Community Development Director Chip Hill
 Whitley County EDC President Dale Buuck
 CCRDC Attorney Greg Hockemeyer

President Siler called the meeting to order and asked for a motion to approve the September minutes. Commissioner Thompson made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Varga. A vote was taken; all voted aye.

Old Business-

LML Property – Boring for the six samples is planned for October 25th.

Jackson-Line Street Site – The survey was completed. Dale Buuck and Chip Hill are meeting with Mr. Busche today to get updates.

South Corridor Trees – The landscaper has pushed this project back due to a personal injury.

Bomy Singh: 314 W Van Buren – Attorney Hockemeyer said we received invoices from Mr. Singh, and President Siler has reviewed the invoices. Both Attorney Hockemeyer and President Siler have seen the improvements in person, which are mostly new windows & tuckpointing. The assessor has updated the classification, too. Vice President Gates made two motions, the first to authorize the release of the mortgage after payment is received for the final interest bill and the second to allow the principal to be forgiven based on work done. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Varga. A vote was taken; all voted aye.

New Business-

Annual Spending Plan – Attorney Hockemeyer said the state legislator requires the RDC to report a spending plan by December 1st of each year. He would like the spending plan approved at the November meeting and requested that a committee be formed to review financial statements with Clerk-Treasurer Coyle. The committee

will also work on filling out the template. President Siler and Secretary Cotter both agreed to be on the committee with Attorney Hockemeyer.

Other Business-

The meeting was adjourned at 12:26pm.

Submitted by Ashley Buckles, Executive Assistant to the Mayor