Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Greene County Redevelopment Commission June 13, 2019

The regular meeting of the Greene County Redevelopment Commission was held in the Commissioners' Room of the Greene County Courthouse on June 13, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. Present were John Mensch, Brian Sparks, and Gregg Roudebush. Also present were the Commission attorney Marvin Abshire, Commissioner Ed Michael, and Allen Toon. Absent were John Preble, Kevin Sparks and Scott Carmichael.

The meeting was opened by a pledge to the flag. The meeting was called to order by Brian Sparks. There was submitted for review and approval the Minutes of the May 16, 2019 regular meeting. After review, a motion was made by Gregg Roudebush and seconded by John Mensch to waive the reading and approve the Minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

The next item of business was the Progress Way lighting update. The Greene County Sewer District has expressed concerns about the decision to wire the streetlights to the Lift Station as opposed to the hotel. The main reasons for choosing this location was that a monthly meter expense would not be involved. The Sewer Board is concerned of the possibility of the streetlights serving as a lightning rod and potentially causing damage to the Lift Station. REMC representative, Shane Smith, has indicated to Marvin Abshire that a meter will not be required at either location. REMC has estimated the usage based on the number of lights, the wattage, and the hours that they will be on for a monthly rate \$38.00. Gregg Roudebush expressed that with this new information, he believes the best way to go would be to connect to the hotel. Brian Sparks will investigate this matter further with Shane Smith and Hal Harp. REMC is providing the wire at no charge from the transformer to the lights. The Redevelopment Board will pay for the wiring from light to light. Rick Graves has offered his trencher if needed.

John Mensch updated the Board on WestGate @ Crane Tech Park funding. Executive Director of Daviess County Chamber of Commerce, Samantha Bobbitt, is replacing board member Ray Crawford due to his health issues. Despite the drastic cuts in Tech Park funding, WestGate @

Crane is ok for 2019 and 2020. There was a consensus not to rehire Brian Burdick with the firm of Barnes & Thornburg for lobbying. Dale Ankrom, the biggest investor at WestGate, spoke to the Governor over Memorial Day Weekend about the funding issues.

John Mensch further reported that the WestGate Authority is against Tri-State Trucking, formerly R& R Trucking, relocating to the Daviess County property by the old Crane Village school site. Kyle Werner, from Crane base, believes this move would denigrate the Master Plan.

John Mensch reported that Mike Hicks has announced that the hotel will open between July 18, 2019 and July 25, 2019. The Bachelor Quarters located on Crane base is closing. These quarters provided overnight accommodations, much like a hotel. As a result of the closing, numerous employees are losing their jobs and are interviewing for jobs at the hotel at Progress Pointe.

John Mensch reported that John Long has met with Greene County Executive Director Brianne Jerrels about his interest in purchasing land at Progress Pointe and opening a restaurant. The Board believes that Mr. Long should continue to work with Brianne Jerrels and they would like to see a business plan, employment information, and a basic building footprint, before they discuss a price for a lot.

Payment Request 2019-5, in the sum of \$3,852.00 was submitted for approval. After review, a motion was made by Gregg Roudebush and seconded by John Mensch to approve the claims. The motion passed unanimously.

Due to a scheduling conflict with the Board's Attorney, the Board rescheduled the next meeting from July 18, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. to July 25, 2019 at 9:30 a.m.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Gregg Roudebush and seconded by John Mensch to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVED this 25th day of July, 2019.

John/E. Mensch, Secretary