

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION/
BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES
April 23, 2014**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Lusk called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: J. Lusk
B. Furman
B. Lenart

Absent: R. Smith

Staff Teresa Gillotti – Director, Economic Development Department
Marilou Uy, Fiscal Services Director
Nan Schuette, Exec. Secretary

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 25, 2013

Commissioner Lenart moved to approve the minutes of April 25, 2013 (Support: B. Furman) and the motion carried.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

Chairman Lusk had previously asked Ms. Gillotti to follow-up on the piece of property in the Industrial Park, formerly owned by the Economic Development Corporation, to confirm that it had been transferred to the Industrial Park Association. Ms. Gillotti responded that the property in question had been transferred to the West Commerce Park Owners Association.

The two properties in question on Railroad Street are still owned by the city.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Nomination of Officers

Commissioner Lusk agreed to be nominated as Chairperson with Commissioner Lenart as Vice-Chair. Both accepted the nomination with the approval of the other board members.

B. Water Street

Ms. Gillotti gave board members an update on the Water Street property.

She reviewed the city's new approved infrastructure plan which basically gives us specific blocks and streets. She referred to the property to the east by Park Street, the Family Dollar project, which is currently under contract. They will be building a portion of Lincoln Street as part of the contract. Herman and Kittle Properties are also looking at the property along the river and are proposing 70-80 apartment housing units, 1-4 bedroom. Ms. Gillotti also referred to the proposed linear park and trail, which will be built this summer and early spring with a pedestrian bridge over Michigan Avenue into the trail.

B. Approval of EDC/BRA Budget

Ms. Uy, Finance Director, reviewed both the Brownfield Authority and Economic Development budgets responding to questions by board members. She also referred to funds that had been held by the city from a number of years ago. It was funds that were due the County because of the school capture and had never been invoiced to or paid by the city. The amount owed is approximately \$72,000. She is asking if we should continue to let the funds sit or if we should ask the County to send us an invoice and get this off the books. Commissioner Lenart moved to get an invoice from the county (Support: B. Furman) and the motion carried unanimously.

C. Update on Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

Commissioner Lenart gave an update on the Washtenaw County Brownfield, which included a copy of the 2013 annual report and 2013 financial report. The report detailed the various grants that had been issued, one of which was in the amount of \$12,500 for Phase II for the I-94 Landfill in Ypsilanti; \$5K had been previously given for Phase I in 2012. Also included was a grant for \$2,000 for the Due Care Plan for the I-94 Landfill. Three Brownfield Plans were approved in 2013, two in in Ann Arbor and one in Chelsea; five other projected were completed and these were detailed in his annual report. Twelve projects were completed since 2003 which involved 3,758 employees with a project investment in the amount of \$302.4M.

- VI.** Since there was no further business, Commissioner Smith moved to adjourn the meeting (Support: B. Lenart) and the motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m.