**Redevelopment Commission Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday May 10th, 2022**

**Call to Order**- Alex Jordan

**Roll Call** - Niki Jones

**Present-** Alex Jordan, Shelley Haney, Brian Hurley, Donetta Gee-Weiler, Larry Longman, Brandy Stepan, Attorney Gregg Morelock

**Absent-**  Shannon Walls

**Also Present**-Tim Gropp, Ryan Crum, Staci Starcher, Attorney Rhonda Cook, Randall Sorrell, Aimee Ector and Angie Cornelius

**Approval of March 1, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

Ms. Stepan made a motion to approve the April 5, 2022 meeting minutes.

Ms. Haney seconded and the motion passed 4/0.

**Redevelopment Commission Budget Update:**

Ms. Starcher presented the Operating Fund update.

(See attached document with the agenda.)

**New Business:**

**BIG Grant Program Application from Second Stories, located at 6288 W. Broadway**

(See Second Stories BIG Application attached to the agenda.)

Aimee Ector and Angie Cornelius, owners of Second Stories, presented their application requirements for the BIG grant for approval of funds for painting improvements.

Ms. Gee-Weiler made a motion to approve the Second Stories BIG application in the amount of $5000.

Mr. Hurley seconded and passed 5/0.

Mr. Crum announced that there had been a meeting with one other interested applicant for the BIG grant and will hopefully hear from them soon.

**Public Hearing on the Amending Declaratory Resolution R030122**

(See Resolution R030122 document attached to the agenda.)

Ms. Gee- Weiler made a motion to suspend the public meeting and open the public hearing regarding Amending Declaratory Resolution 030122.

Mr. Jordan seconded and passed 5/0.

Mr. Morelock explained the Declaratory Resolution and that this is the final step in the process.

Public Comment from resident: Meredith Hensley

Ms. Hensley asked to explain where the properties and TIF districts were on the map.

Mr. Crum presented the map and Mr. Gropp explained how TIF districts and allocation areas were determined.

Motion to adjourn public hearing and reconvene public hearing. So moved. Mr. Hurley seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

**Resolution 051022 – Consideration for Adoption of Amending Confirmatory Resolution for McCord Square Allocation Area.**

(See Resolution R011022 document attached to the agenda.)

Ms. Gee-Weiler made a motion to read Resolution by title only. Ms. Haney seconded. Motion passed 5/0.

Mr. Morelock read the Resolution by title only.

Ms. Haney made a resolution to approve Resolution 051022.

Ms. Gee-Weiler seconded. Passed 5/0.

**Town Council Liaison Report – Larry Longman**

Mr. Longman presented that at the April 12th meeting, the Mt. Vernon High School Football Team were presented a proclamation and plaque for their accomplishment of winning the State Championship.

Council appointed Jennifer Herman to the Planning Commission.

A new police officer will be going to the Academy, Officer French and Officer Pells started in May.

Council agreed to waive all permitting fees for the Vernon Township Fire Department in regards to the new fire department building.

PUD – Hampton Walk approved as presented.

Adopted a plan to utilize ARPA funds from Covid Relief.

A storage unit proposal was presented that would be on the outlot parcel due east of The Grill Restaurant. Council thought that this would be a good fit.

North on Carroll Road, there is a cell tower that is near Deer Crossing and there is a plan to put a 10 acre housing development that would have an adjoining driveway with Deer Crossing.

Council established a fund to replace Vernon Township Fire Department equipment.

Council voted to establish a cumulative capital fund. The taxes captured would help fund equipment, road projects, etc. that are currently using the “rainy day fund”.

Cumulative Park Fund established.

Contract Mt. Comfort/600 N. – long term improvements discussed. New round-a-bout to be built at a later time. Mr. Crum added that since this project is State funded, it may start construction in 2025-2026.

Mr. Crum added that the Town is looking to hire a new Building Inspector/Building Commissioner.

Capital Projects Plan – Addressing road improvements.

The Public Works committee approved stop signs in the Woodhaven neighborhood.

Garbage RFP went out from the Town Manager’s office. Mr. Gropp advised that the bids are due by June 7th from prospective garbage removal companies and explained the different bid options with and without recycling options. He explained that the Town is being charged “contamination fees” from Waste Management in regards to the large recycling bins at Town Hall due to residents dumping items that are not recyclable and items being bagged.

**Public Comments:**

None.

**Next Meeting- June 7th, 2022 at 6pm**

Mr. Gropp advised that he would not be at the next meeting.

**Adjourn**

Ms. Gee-Weiler made a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Hurley seconded and passed 5/0.