

**Town of Georgetown, Indiana
Redevelopment Commission
Meeting Minutes
August 21, 2023 5:30 P.M.**

Roll Call

Members in Attendance: Ben Stocksdale, Kim Courtney , and Brandon Hopf. Also attending was Haley James and Reny Keener.

Members not in attendance: Jason Parrish, Barbara Pullen, Connie Baugh, and Kristi Fox.

Approval of Minutes

Brandon Hopf made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 27, 2023, meeting. Seconded by Kim Courtney and approved 3-0.

New Business

Purchasing a Yard Sign for Completed Façade Grant Projects

This item was brought up at the June meeting. The board would like to purchase a few signs to be presented at completed Façade Grant projects to help spread awareness of the program. John Beams suggests a few companies to check into. These signs are easy to install and remove and will only be displayed in front of the project for 30 days.

Ben Stocksdale made a preliminary motion to allocate \$400.00 to mockup a few yard signs with a designer and for the designs to be approved by the Board for final approval before printing. Seconded by Brandon Hopf and approved 3-0.

The Wheatley Group

Nick Lawrence, the president of the Wheatley Group is in attendance tonight. The Wheatley Group can help provide professional economic development and redevelopment advisory services for the Town. They can help with Planning and Zoning and TIF districts. They also have an expert grant writer available which would help Reny Keener achieve larger grants. Their contract can be on a case-by-case basis.

Ben Stocksdale made a motion to conditionally approve the contract pending attorney review and agreement. We will bring this back to the next meeting for full ratification. Seconded by Kim Courtney and approved 3-0.

Reny Keener- Executive Director

Reny Keener would like to become the executive director for the Redevelopment Commission. Making Reny Keener the executive director will help the board stay on track regardless of board members changing. Reny Keener will help work with several developers and businesses who want to expand or move into Town with new business. Since Reny Keener is the Town Manager already, he would be a

good fit for this position. Reny Keener would like to receive \$1,000.00 a month for this job from the Redevelopment Commission. The executive director will be paid monthly not based on meetings only.

Ben Stocksdale made a motion to allow the Attorney to draft an agreement and for the agreement to include pay schedule, pay frequency, and a list of duties. This agreement will be ratified at the next Redevelopment Commission Meeting and the effective date will run until January. Seconded by Kim Courtney and approved 3-0.

John Beams- Welcome to Georgetown Sign

Destination Georgetown has installed a new welcome to Georgetown sign by Copperfield. Destination Georgetown will be responsible for all maintenance. The sign costs \$8,500.00 total and Destination Georgetown would like to ask for a 50% reimbursement.

Kim Courtney made a motion to approve reimbursing \$4,250.00 to Destination Georgetown contingent upon receipts. Seconded by Brandon Hopf and approved 3-0.

Misc. Business

Nothing to report.

Adjournment


Ben Stocksdale made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Kim Courtney and approved 3-0.

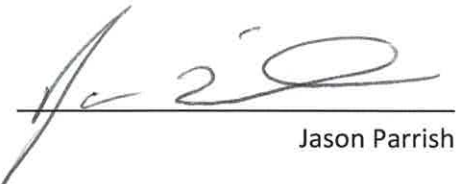
Minutes Approved By:


Ben Stocksdale


Kim Courtney

Barbara Pullen


Brandon Hopf


Jason Parrish

ATTEST:


Haley James, Secretary