

**DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CITY
OF JEFFERSONVILLE AND TWIGGS COUNTY
RE-SCHEDULED MEETING**

March 30, 2023

6:30 P.M. Development Authority Office, Chairman Douglas Chance presiding

PRESENT: Mr. Douglas Chance, Chair; Donald Floyd, Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Cindie Nobles, Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Louise Wimberly, Mr. Eddie Stephens, Mrs. Tabitha Little, Board Members; Mr. Kevin Brown, Attorney; Mrs. Judy Sherling, Executive Director, Mrs. Ann Hogan, Administrative Assistant.
Absent: Mr. Dale Lumley, Board Member.

INVOCATION: Mr. Stephens

VISITORS: There were no visitors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: There were no announcements.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: Branding RFP. Mrs. Wimberly made a motion to add this topic to the agenda, seconded by Mrs. Nobles. Unanimous vote of the five members present. Motion Carried.

MINUTES: Mrs. Wimberly made a motion to approve the Minutes of the February 26, 2023, meeting, seconded by Mrs. Nobles. Unanimous vote of the five members present. Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Stephens made a motion to approved the February 28, 2023, Treasurer's Report, seconded by Mrs. Little. Unanimous vote of the five members present. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

BRANDING RFP – based on discussions at the recent leadership retreat, Mrs. Sherling asked for permission to approach the County and Board of Education to issue a Request For Proposals from the two local public relations firms for a branding campaign only with no ongoing support or video. Mrs. Nobles made a motion to approve, seconded by Mrs. Wimberly. Unanimous vote of the five members present. Motion Carried.

DOWNTOWN BUSINESS OWNERS MEETING – Mrs. Sherling asked for approval to host a meeting of downtown business owners and serve light refreshments. Mrs. Little made a motion to approve between \$250 to \$500 for the expense of refreshments. Mr. Stephens seconded. Unanimous vote of the five members present. Motion Carried.

TRADE AND INDUSTRY AUTO ISSUE – Mrs. Sherling presented a proposal for a printed ad in the upcoming automotive issue based on the heavy traffic we are seeing related to Hyundai. After discussion, the Authority members felt there is no need for this additional expense at this time. Request was denied.

At this time, Mr. Floyd entered the meeting.

ONGOING BUSINESS:

AUDIT – Mrs. Sherling reported that the audit books have been reviewed by Synovia and are ready to submit to the auditor. This was an information item only.

PROJECT MIDWAY – this discussion was move to closed session for legal advice and discussion of real estate sales.

PROJECT HILLANDALE - this discussion was move to closed session for legal advice and discussion of real estate sales.

PROJECT MALONE – Mrs. Sherling reported that she presented this project to City Council and they denied the request based on reluctance to transfer the property to the Authority. Mrs. Sherling will notify the parties involved.

HEALTH EDUCATION BUILDING – Mrs. Sherling reported that USDA has tentatively approved our request for \$823,900 for the Health Education building. Mr. Floyd made a motion to sign all documents and pass a resolution to proceed with the USDA grant, seconded by Mrs. Nobles. Unanimous vote of the six members present. Motion Carried. Mrs. Sherling will continue with the request for \$101,000 in contingency funding from Sen. Ossoff.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

- **PROJECT KIM** – Mrs. Sherling gave an update on the various aspects of this project as an information item only. There is no involvement from the Authority needed at this time. There is interest from multiple housing providers as partners for this project.
- **TRAINING** – Mrs. Sherling report that all members except Mrs. Nobles and Mr. Lumley are now registered for the upcoming Side Bar training on May 3 and 4. Mrs. Little will attend from office while the remaining members will attend from here at the Authority office.
- **SEWER EXPANSION** – Mrs. Sherling will meet with the Commissioners on April 6 to discuss future planning county-wide as it relates to infrastructure needs.
- **SPRING FESTIVAL** – Mrs. Sherling reported that there will be a downtown festival hosted by Live Well Twiggs and the Jeffersonville City Council. This is an information item only.
- **PROJECT PETTIS** – the recent project activity seems to have ended based on no natural gas at the site. Mrs. Sherling will continue to work with this property owner to bring new projects.
- **VACATION PLANS** – Mrs. Sherling requested May 1 and 2 off for vacation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Mrs. Wimberly made a motion to enter into closed Executive Session, seconded by Mrs. Little. Unanimous vote of the six members present. Motion Carried. The meeting was closed at 7:14 PM.

Mrs. Little made a motion to return to Open Meeting, seconded by Mrs. Nobles. Unanimous vote of the six members present. Motion Carried. The meeting was opened at 7:56 PM

Upon return to open meeting, Mrs. Little made a motion to proceed with the sale of land on SR96 to Flat Woods Land Company LLC for \$1,000 per acre due to the archeological restrictions on this tract as discussed in Executive Session. Mrs. Wimberly seconded. Unanimous vote of the six members present. Motion Carried.

In a second item, Mrs. Nobles made a motion to authorize Attorney Brown to proceed as discussed in closed session in the matter of Project Midway. Mrs. Little seconded. Unanimous vote of the six members present. Motion Carried.

All business having been concluded, a motion to adjourn was made by Mrs. Little with Mrs. Wimberly seconding the motion. Unanimous vote of the six members present. Motion Carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 PM.