Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Greene County Redevelopment Commission July 18, 2024

The regular meeting of the Greene County Redevelopment Commission was held in the Commissioners' Room of the Greene County Courthouse on July 18, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. Present in person were John Mensch, Scott Carmichael, and Joshua Riggins. Absent were Kris Jarman and Karen Abrams. Also present was Greene County Economic Development Director Brianne Jerrels.

The meeting opened with a pledge to the flag. John Mensch called the meeting to order.

The first item of business was review and approval of the minutes of the June 20, 2024, regular meeting. Joshua Riggins moved, and Scott Carmichael seconded, to waive the reading and approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed 3-0.

Next, a claim was presented for payment to Big Bear Ridge LLC in the amount of \$180.00 for mowing services. Scott Carmichael moved, and Joshua Riggins seconded, to approve the claim as presented. The motion passed 3-0.

The next item of business was the potential sale of residue real estate on the former Koch property containing 3.74 acres, much of which is a wooded ravine, to High Bridge Solutions Properties, LLC (HBSC). HBSC previously purchased the 5.53-acre front tract of the property long E. County Line Road, Newberry, Indiana and is in the process of constructing a building for radar repair. HBSC would like to purchase the remaining 3.74-acre tract to construct a smaller second building and direct rainwater into the ravine. Scott Carmichael moved, and Joshua Riggins seconded, to offer to sell the 3.74-acre tract to HBSC for \$15K. The motion passed 3-0. John Mensch will follow-up with HBSC.

Economic Development Corporation Director Brianne Jerrels provided a report as follows:

1. Brianne is scheduled to meet with Executive Director John Zody of CDFI Friendly Bloomington regarding a Brownfield Redevelopment grant.

- 2. Site identification is on the top of Brianne's priority list, not only for projects, but for housing.
- 3. GCEDC and SIDC are still working toward the goal to host a "Housing 101" workshop slated for January 2025.
- 4. Brianne attended a strategic sites inventory workshop in June. The company they worked with picked their own sites that weren't necessarily on the inventory list. Brianne is working on providing additional information.

John Mensch's WestGate report is summarized as follows:

- 1. The Crane Regional Defense Group had a meeting in Washington DC with legislatures and staffers to market WestGate @ Crane.
- 2. At WGA's July meeting, Bryant Niehoff of USTF presented an agreement to market the tech park and co-brand with WestGate. WGA approved the USTF proposal effective July 1, 2024, for \$5,000.00 a month.
- 3. WGA continues to look at three different grant opportunities addressed in last month's report.
- 4. Senator Todd Young's office is submitting a community finance project for infrastructure at the Tech Park that could go to a new sewer plant.
- 5. Samantha Nelson is in the process of collecting numbers of tenants within the Certified Tech Park.
- 6. The Governance Committee for WestGate met and proposed the WGA consult with an attorney for Request for Proposals for the Purdue Contract.
- 7. The WGA September meeting has been moved to September 17, 2024.

There being no further business, Scott Carmichael moved, and Joshua Riggins seconded, to adjourn. The motion passed 3-0.

APPROVED this 15th day of August, 2024.

Joshua G. Riggins, Secretary