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Regular Meeting / March 26, 2013  
Amended Minutes

Attendance: Ed Clark, Claus Bartenstein, Israel Mac, Dave Cooper, Jerry Kreitzer, Wendy Wilton, William Notte, Barbara Allen, Brennan Duffy and Mike Gauthier.

The meeting was called to order at 8 am.

- I. William moved to approve the minutes of March 12, 2013. Jerry seconded. Motion was approved.
- II. No one from the public was in attendance to address the Board.
- III. Ed moved to authorize Dave to sign the warrant for Fund 800 expenses totaling \$743.94 for payment and recommend to the Board of Finance that the Fund 100 warrant totaling \$5,590.00 be paid. William seconded. Motion was approved. Mike recused himself from the vote due to the fact that the Fund 800 warrant included payment of an invoice from Green Screen Graphics.
- IV. Barbara updated the Board on the status of several grants:

Courcelle Brothers Army Reserve Center: The National Park Service has requested that the City of Rutland take “constructive possession” of the property within 15 days of the receipt of acceptance letter signed by the Mayor. Keys to the property will be transferred when the Army clears all its contracts on the property including utilities and security.

Neighborhood Revitalization – A public hearing will be held at 6:45 pm on Monday, April 1. Following the hearing the RRA will request that the Aldermen sign a resolution in support of the application and grant the RRA \$2,500.00 towards the required matching funds from the Maples Revolving Loan Fund. The grant request is for \$30,000 which requires \$7,500 in matching funds. NeighborWorks of Western Vermont has committed \$2,500 and the RRA has committed \$2,500 of in-kind administration.

Streetlights VI: The DTF is preparing the grant amendment on this project to change Union Street to Washington Street. The RRA will take the amendment to the Aldermen with a memo explaining the change and cost rationale.

Rutland City Master Plan – The Planning Commission will hold a public meeting from 6 to 8 pm on Wednesday, March 27, at the Rutland Free Library to take comment from the public on their priorities for the City in the next five years.

Rutland Creek Path – The RFP for a resident engineer for segment 2 of the multi-modal path has been published in the newspaper.

V. Brennan provided the following project status reports:

Residential Tax Stabilization – State Rep. Herb Russell sponsored the revised residential tax stabilization bill.

Business Summit – The RRA/DRP business forum had approximately 25 attendees. The CSC Business forum on March 25 had approximately 120 attendees.

There was extensive discussion regarding the tax exposure, if any, for solar energy developers.

Brennan was able to talk with Larry Pope of Brix-Mor (owner of the downtown plaza) regarding proposed Evelyn Street reconfiguration.

Brennan updated the Board on the Berwick site Corrective Action Plan. He also discussed the senior housing proposal at Steel Square.

Brennan reported he had no response from the new owners of the Grand Union and Hannafords' declined an offer from RRA regarding marketing their vacant building located behind Panera's on South Main Street.

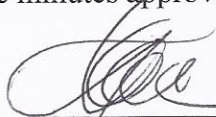
REDC is evaluating the feasibility of converting an eligible building in Rutland City into a business incubator site.

Brennan updated the Board on the status of the Habitat for Humanity Rutland Chapter.

VI. New Business – Wendy discussed putting the DRP contract out to bid. Brennan will ask Mike to come to an April meeting to discuss the most recent quarterly report.

VII. William moved to ajourn. Wendy seconded. Motion was approved. The meeting ended at 9:08 am.

These minutes approved this 9<sup>TH</sup> day of Apr, 2013.

  
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Israel Mac, Secretary