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Regular Meeting / September 10, 2013  
Minutes

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

Absent: Dave Cooper.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 8:02 am.
- II. William moved to approve the minutes of August 27, 2013. Claus seconded. Motion was approved.
- III. No one from the public was in attendance to address the Board.
- IV. William was nominated and it was seconded to serve as acting chair in Dave's absence. Motion was approved.
- V. Ed moved to authorize William to sign the warrant for payment of Fund 800 expenses totaling \$21,225.00. Wendy seconded. Motion was approved.
- VI. Barbara provided the following grant status update:

Municipal Planning Grant Application: The Aldermen signed a resolution at their Sept. 3 meeting in support of the Municipal Planning Grant application for downtown and gateway improvements. The application deadline is Sept. 30.

Wayfinding Signage Phase II: The grant close-out is due Sept. 28.

- VII. Brennan provided the following project status reports:

Evelyn Street Reconfiguration – While in Philadelphia Brennan has arranged to meet with representatives of Brixmor to discuss possible redevelopment plans for the north end of the plaza. He may be joined by other City officials and property owners.

EB-5 Application – The EB-5 application has been denied reinstatement by the State for the senior housing project proposed for West Street.

Neighborhood & Housing Revitalization Study – The kick-off meeting with I Squared Consultants working on the revitalization strategy for the North West Neighborhood will be Sept. 18 followed by a week long site visit from the consultants in October.

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Hotel Study – Brennan asked the consultants to run alternate scenarios using tax incentives. He anticipates a draft report for the Board to review at the next meeting.

Vision Block Party: The party is set for October 5 at the corner of Baxter, Maple and Library Avenue. Brennan discussed the array of activities that will be available, as well as, a “name the neighborhood” contest. Wendy suggested that Brennan provide the board with all relevant information in order to field any questions. She also volunteered to represent the RRA at the event. William suggested the Mayor go to the Aldermen to request to close the streets.

Blighted Property Review Committee – Brennan is drafting an ordinance to create a Blighted Property Review Committee to enforce the Blighted Property Ordinance and establish procedures for property transfer to the City or other appropriate organization.

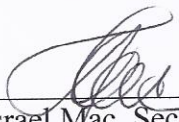
Berwick Site – The Agency of Natural Resources is funding a second look at the draft CAP for the Berwick Site.

VIII. New Business.

The Board agreed to convene its regularly scheduled meeting on October 8 despite the absence of both Barbara and Brennan. The agenda will include the first quarterly report from the Downtown Rutland Partnership.

- IX. William moved to adjourn and Wendy seconded. Motion was approved. The meeting ended at 8:44 am.

These minutes approved this 24<sup>TH</sup> day of Sept, 2013.

  
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Israel Mac, Secretary