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Regular Meeting / August 26, 2014

Minutes

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

Absent: Stephanie Peters.

Also attending: Chris Etori, Downtown Rutland Partnership and Cristina Kumka, PegTV.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 8:02 am.
- II. Agenda Additions/Deletions – Dave asked to add Executive Session to the agenda under Old Business to discuss staff evaluations. Moved, seconded. Motion was approved.
- III. Claus moved to approve the minutes of August 12, 2014. William seconded. Motion was approved.
- IV. No one from the public was in attendance to address the Board.
- V. William moved to authorize Dave to sign the warrant for payment of Fund 800 expenses totaling \$3,774.84 and recommend to the Board of Finance payment of Fund 100 expenses totaling \$6,042.62. Ed seconded. Motion was approved.
- VI. Barbara provided the following grant status updates:

VCDP Grant Northwest Neighborhood Revitalization – The Tier 1 Environmental Review has been resubmitted and we anticipate executing a grant agreement before the end of the year.

Streetlights and Sidewalks VI – The lighting has been installed on Washington Street therein completing the scope of work for this grant before the deadline of Aug. 27. The final report and closeout work will be completed before the deadline of Sept. 26. Michael Coppinger, Executive Director of the Downtown Rutland Partnership was instrumental in coordinating the work on Madison and Washington Streets.

Strong Communities, Better Connections Program – A resolution will be included in the Board of Aldermen's packet for their Sept. 2 meeting asking for support with regard to the City's application. The application is due Oct. 3. Upon further review of the requirements the scope of work has been altered and made broader. The funds will be used to create a plan to better utilize existing transportation amenities in Rutland for the City's economic development.

VII. Brennan provided the following project status report:

Solar Capital Initiative – Discussion continues with Steve Costello of GMP for including some advertising with all the National Press the City is getting now. There is also discussion of participating in Trade Shows.

Dana School – Charter & Ordinance Committee of the Board of Aldermen will be meeting Wednesday, Aug. 27, at 5:30 pm to discuss the options for a request from the Giancolas to rezone the Dana School property. William elaborated on the options and discussed the neighbors' concerns. One of the options included allowing the conditional uses of medical clinic, light industrial and large daycare in all MR-1 zones throughout the City. Dave suggested limiting this option to buildings the size of Dana School. William agreed to bring the suggestion to the Committee.

Gateway Signs – The funds necessary to create the signage has been raised with donations from Rotary South, Kiwanis, Knights of Columbus and Italian American Club. Green Screen Graphics is responsible for making the signs and it is hoped they can be installed by Columbus Day.

VIII New Business.

Rutland Plywood Fire – Brennan discussed outreach efforts for possible assistance following the fire.

X. Old Business.

Executive Session – Ed moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Wendy seconded. Motion was approved. Barbara and Brennan left the meeting.

Staff Bonus – Following Executive Session, Ed moved to extend a bonus of \$2,500 to the Executive Director and authorize the Executive Director to offer an amount not to exceed \$2,500 to staff. Wendy seconded Motion was approved.

XI. Adjourn.

It was moved and seconded to adjourn. Motion was approved. The meeting ended at 8:50 am.

These minutes approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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Israel Mac, Secretary