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Regular Meeting / October 13, 2015
Minutes

Attendance: Dave Cooper, Claus Bartenstein, Barbara Spaulding, Brennan Duffy, Wendy Wilton, Israel Mac Stephanie Romeo, Ed Clark, Mike Gauthier and Chris Etori.

Also attending: Mike Coppinger, Lyz Tomsuden and Eddie Ryan all for Downtown Rutland Partnership.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 8:04 am.
- II. Agenda Additions/Deletions – Brennan asked to add discussion of Alderman Notte’s email under Grant Updates.
- III. Claus moved to approve the minutes of September 22, 2015. Stephanie seconded. Motion was approved.
- IV. No one from the public was in attendance to address the Board.
- V. Ed moved to authorize Dave to sign the warrant for payment of Fund 800 expenses totaling \$21,627.66. Mike seconded. Motion was approved.
- VI. DRP Quarterly Report.

Mike Coppinger discussed the highlights of the report that was included in the RRA Board packets. He also distributed information demonstrating the DRP’s efforts to gather information regarding business recruitment and event planning. Lyz discussed the social media campaign and Eddie answered questions with regard to the financials. Mike confirmed an accounting firm, suggested by Wendy, could provide the required financial audit at a reasonable price and by the deadline.

- VII. Barbara provided the quarterly grant updates in a spreadsheet that was included in the RRA Board packets.

Brennan discussed the email received from Alderman Notte suggesting the RRA Board make a grant funding recommendation of either “positive” or “negative” with regard to BROCC and RCPCC, to avoid the issue being referred back to the RRA Board and missing the application deadline.

The two grant applications were discussed and Wendy moved to make a positive recommendation to the Aldermen with regard to the RCPCC request to apply for VCDP funding. Ed seconded. The Board agreed the application was stronger, the

service area is more focused and the process is further along. The motion was approved.

Wendy moved to take a negative position with regard to the BROOC request to apply for VCDP funding. Claus seconded. The Board agreed that the project had some long-term issues with regard to the viability of the building. The motion was approved.

VIII. Brennan provided the following project updates:

Brennan discussed the highlights of the RRA quarterly report for the period ended 9/30/15.

The RRA represented the City at the Renewable Energy VT Conference as part of BIAP marketing program.

Evelyn Street proposal was supported by the Board of Aldermen by resolution and efforts to seek support from BRIXMOR for a VCDP planning grant is underway.

IX. DRP Update: None.

X. New Business.

On behalf of the RRA Board and staff, Brennan presented Claus with a framed photograph of Rutland skyline and acknowledged his years of dedicated service. Claus is relocating to Rutland Town and therefore is ineligible to serve on the RRA Board.

XI. It was moved and seconded to adjourn. Motion was approved. The meeting ended at 9:16 am.

These minutes approved this ____ day of _____, 2015.

Israel Mac, Secretary