



RUTLAND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
CITY OF RUTLAND

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Regular Meeting / January 28, 2014
Minutes

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

Absent: Claus Bartenstein.

Also attending: Cristina Kumka, Peg TV.

- I. The meeting was called to order at 8:04 am.
- II. Ed moved to approve the minutes of January 14, 2014. Wendy seconded. Motion was approved.
- III. No one from the public was in attendance to address the Board.
- IV. William moved to authorize Dave to sign the warrant for payment of Fund 800 expenses totaling \$2,246.01. Ed seconded. Motion was approved.
- V. Barbara provided the following grant status report:

Downtown Gateway Study – The RFP was posted on 1/17/14 and mailed to five possible candidates. To date there have been 16 additional requests for the RFP. The deadline for proposals is Feb. 18 at 4 pm. The municipal planning grant requires that 40% of the total award be requisitioned up front and the Planning Commission will be asked to approve the requisition on 2/5/14.

Master Plan Revision – The revisions to the 2009 Rutland City Master Plan were forwarded to the Board of Aldermen and on 1/21/14 was referred to Charter & Ordinance.

Downtown Transportation Fund – The deadline for the next round of applications is March 10. A meeting with Mike Coppinger and DPW staff Evan, Nate and Jeff resulted in plans to resubmit the West Street Sidewalk project together with additional streetlights on Washington Street.

VCDP Implementation Grant – A request to set the required public hearing will be sent to the Aldermen on Feb. 18.

V1. Brennan provided the following project status report:

West Street Corridor Improvements – Due to the DPW being unable to commit to installing new sidewalks in the 2014 construction season, a request will be made to the Aldermen to use Zamias funds as match for a Downtown Transportation Grant and hire an outside contractor for the project. The new sidewalks will provide better pedestrian access to the new investment along West Street.

North West Neighborhood Redevelopment – The RRA plans to submit an application to VCDP for \$500,000 to be used for acquisition and rehabilitation of blighted vacant properties in the target neighborhood. The Aldermen will be asked to commit funds from Zamias and the RRA will use \$50,000 of its Commitment to Capital Improvements budget. A meeting with staff from the Historic Preservation office will be held at 11:30 today.

Solar Arrays – Brennan discussed potential implications of proposed changes to taxing mechanisms governing solar projects.

VII. Stephanie volunteered to replace Jerry as the RRA's alternate representative to the Architectural Review Committee.

VIII. Mike moved to adjourn. William seconded. Motion was approved. The meeting ended at 8:28 am.

These minutes approved this 11TH day of Feb, 2014.



Israel Mac, Secretary