

West Indianapolis Development Corporation
Meeting of Board of Directors
6pm October 18, 2017
Minutes

In attendance: Kimberly, Curt, Betty, Lisa, Nadine, Kelly, Josh, Luke, May, and Jennifer

President of the Board Kimberly Andersen Call to Order: 6:04pm

Adoption of Minutes of September 20, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes. Kelly made a motion to accept the Board Meeting Minutes and Curt seconded.

Treasurer's Report -

- Lisa gave a brief update on financials. CDBG grant funds have been all used. Expenses for repairs on rentals may go up in the next couple of months.
- Income Statement is missing page 2. Lisa will forward it by email to the full board.

Adoption of Treasurer's Report Luke made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and Curt seconded.

Executive Director's Report – Lisa discussed many points on areas of work the past month including meetings, conferences, and areas of focus including:

- Final meeting for Valley Plan has been completed, unveiling October 19th at 6pm at Edison School for the Arts.
- Beauty Parlor is available for use on West Morris Street.
- Indianapolis Neighborhood Housing Partnership – Meeting, working on building relationship and planning for the future.
- INRC meeting with neighbors to help build community.
- Request for TIF funds to cover the cost of the creation of the Valley Plan, printing, mailings, meetings has been approved. We will know amount soon.
- Financial Center First Credit to discuss properties on Oliver.
- Mary Rigg Neighborhood Center to discuss parking lot across from WIDC and opportunity to acquire for future use and MRNC is interested in the building adjacent to WIDC office. Discussion also included increased collaboration.
- Green3 (landscape architecture) they will design the trail head next to the Edison School.
- Reconnecting to Our Waterways (ROW) meeting to discuss enhancements of White River.

Old Business – Thursday, October 19th is the unveiling of the Valley Plan. Commercial Development, Infrastructure, Housing, Greenspace are the four main areas of the Plan.

New Business –

- November Board Meeting/Annual Meeting – **November 15th at the Iron Skillet**. Board, staff, and + 1. Please let Lisa know your + 1 by Friday, November 10th.

- **Slate Officers – President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary – please be thinking of your interest**
- Short business meeting
- Ratify May and Luke
- Need for additional board members – bylaws state no less than 9 no more than 25 board members.
- Hired Paul Fox as maintenance for all properties.
- Tuesday was Jeff Gearhart’s last day.
- 2018 CDBG – did not get the grant to do home owner repair.
- In 2018 look to sell certain properties to help with future affordable housing support.
- Lisa discussed three potential housing and business development projects for the next couple of years – Opportunities to use TIF funding 1) Credit Union located in the Valley to include market rate units, mixed use, bank on first floor, conference room, phase two would include residential housing, 2) Vacant lot across from Billies Food Pantry, look at three-plex housing grouped together, 3) Gravel lot across from WIDC commercial space, move WIDC to new office (sell current office and adjacent second building), conference room, coffee shop to be run by churches as a nonprofit similar to Calvin Fletcher’s in Fountain Square, include residential properties in on second (and maybe third) floor. Projects would include all four of our goals of our strategic plan. West Indy is a Neighborhood of Choice. West Indy is a Neighborhood of Quality Housing. West Indy is a Community with Access to a Variety of Goods and Services. West Indy Development Corporation is a Strong Connected Leader in West Indy.
- 2018 – look for a design developed for Morris Street Plan and trail head to eagle creek.

Resolution #1 - Based upon the “focused giving” budget that was approved by the Board of WIDC in January of 2017, the West Indianapolis Community Fund Advisory Committee 1) approves the grant request from the CAP (Community Action Partners) for Community Day expenses of \$4176.70, 2) approves the grant request for WIDC for West Indy Goes to College expenses of \$435.57, 3) approves a grant request for WIDC Community Communications for \$9932. We ask the board to move to accept the committee’s support for these three grants.

Kimberly made a motion to accept Resolution #1 and Curt seconded.

Resolution #2 The West Indianapolis Community Fund Advisory Committee approves the grant request from the George Washington Community High School’s Chapter for Dollars for \$1,500 to help them purchase promotional materials that promote their chapter and support our community community’s post-secondary dreams. The advisory committee asks the board to move to accept the committee’s support of the grant.

Nadene made a motion to accept Resolution #2 and Curt seconded.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:25 pm