
Call to Order

Member Demous opened the meeting at 6:07pm.

The following were present at roll call:

Member Faircloth and Chair Hannigon on the telephone. Attorney Brown advised that the bylaws do not allow for a member to attend and vote via the telephone therefore there was not a quorum.

Also present:

Manager Nixon, Chair Dowdell, Attorney Brown, Admin Pam Tribue

Approval of Agenda

Tabled due to lack of a quorum.

Approval of Minutes

Tabled due to lack of a quorum.

Financial Report

According to the January 31, 2020 statement the beginning balance was \$326,483.63, there were no deposits, eight checks/debits in the amount of \$9,491.59, interest paid \$14.58, leaving a balance \$317,006.62. The manager went over the specifics of all checks and debits.

Recommendation for Vacant Position on CRA Advisory Board

CRA Board Member McMillan advised that he will be recommending Mrs. Stella Murray to fill the vacancy due to Member Morris' resignation. This will be brought before the board at the next regular meeting.

Discussion on CRA Plan

The last redevelopment plan went through the year 2019, so it's time to update the plan. It is the wish and desire of the CRA board to have a comprehensive five year plan for redevelopment so this is the opportunity for the advisory board to give some input. Discussion was open to how the board wants to proceed, hiring a consultant, community workshops, etc. The discussion also covered the previous thought of Monroe Street as the next area for renovation. There is no deadline in place but the board does consider this a priority. Chair Hannigon suggested that the advisory board hold a workshop to share ideas and be able to create a message/recommendation to be presented to the regular board. The manager will send an email of proposed dates to board members to consider. Once the issue regarding the line-of-credit is resolved a set of priorities/projects will be determined. The manager will take this discussion, summarize and send this to the board. Chair Hannigon asked that all members forward suggestions for the plan to the manager so that there are ideas already on the table. The manager will also contact the Florida Redevelopment Association to retrieve some best practices that may have been implemented throughout the state, and will get with City staff (Dr. Piawah and Dr. Nash) to get an idea of what the City is working on in the district as well.

Requests for CRA Assistance

Manager Nixon provided a list of businesses that have requested financial assistance from the board along with the specifics of the requests. This has been an ongoing topic of discussion and the list of requests continues to grow. Attorney Brown reminded the board that there needs

to be a process in place to evaluate these requests before any funds are disbursed. The manager will identify some other communities to see what processes they have in place.

CRA Manager Updates

Line of Credit – Attorney Brown has had conversations with Capital City Bank. They have provided a schedule that allows for a resigning of the current loan. Same interest rate of 3.85%, the dates will just be moved back. They are not expecting any costs for these changes. The main board will take a look at this next week.

CRA Attorney Updates - None

Advisory Board Member Comments

Member Faircloth – None

Member Demous – None

Chair Hannigon – None

Regular Board Chair Dowdell – Thanked the board for all they do. Wants the board to flourish this year and would like to be the boards' advocate moving forward.

Meeting adjourns at 6:47pm.