REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
City of Franklin, Indiana
MINUTES OF MEETING

Date and Time: Thursday, February 19, 2009 at 8:00 a.m.

Place of Meeting: Common Council Chambers
Franklin City Hall
55 West Madison Street
Franklin IN 46131

1) **Call to Order**: The meeting was called to order at approximately 8:00 a.m.

2) **Persons in Attendance**:

a) **Members of the Redevelopment Commission**:

i) Larry Koenes, President
ii) B.J. Deppe
iii) Ted Grossnickle;
iv) Bob Heuchan
v) Trent McWilliams;

Members Darren Thompson and were absent.

c) **Also in attendance**:

vi) Robert H. Schafstall, Legal Counsel to the Redevelopment Commission;
vii) Mayor Fred Paris;
viii) Krista Linke, Planning Director;
ix) Todd Wilkerson, Engineer

3) **Old business**:

a) Robert H. Schafstall presented minutes from the joint meeting held January 19, 2009. Mr. Grossnickle, seconded by Mr. McWilliams, to approve the minutes as presented. The minutes were approved.

b) Legal Counsel, Robert H. Schafstall, provided the Commission with the status of the Neighborhood Stabilization Program Grant. Site inspection with the State is next week, Wednesday, February 25, 2009. The deadline for the grant application is March 13, 2009, and then information

c) Legal Counsel, Robert H. Schafstall, introduced a representative from Remenschneider Associates, Inc. to provide the Commission with an update of the Gateway, Greenway Trails, and Redevelopment Project.

d) Legal Counsel, Robert H. Schafstall, provided an update regarding the Hazelett Building in which the City's Board of Public Works and Safety (BOW) has approved him to proceed with legal action regarding the code compliance issues. The BOW role in regard to this structure is and will remain safety and code compliance only. The Redevelopment Commission's role may be to assist in the acquisition of the property and assisting in the process for addressing this structure in regard to the downtown revitalization.

4) **New business**:

a) Legal Counsel, Robert H. Schafstall, presented Resolution 09-01, which appropriates monies for the payment of services completed by Remenschneider and Associates in regard to the Gateway Project. The full amount of the contract will be approved with the passage of the resolution. Mr. Deppe, seconded by Mr. Heuchan made a motion to authorize Legal Counsel and President Koenes to review the invoices as submitted and approve payment of said invoices on a timely basis to avoid late fees. The late fees included in the current invoice were discussed. Mr. Koenes explained that since a contract was signed that allowed for late fees, the late fees should be paid. The motion carried. Mr. Grossnickle, seconded by Mr. McWilliams, made a motion to approve Resolution 09-01 as presented. The motion carried.

b) Legal Counsel, Robert H. Schafstall, presented Resolution 09-02, which appropriates monies for the payment of services completed by Barnes and Thornburg. Mr. Heuchan, seconded by Mr. Grossnickle, made a motion to approve Resolution 09-02 as presented. The motion carried.

c) Legal Counsel, Robert H. Schafstall, introduced Rob Shilts with Franklin Heritage regarding the Artcraft Theatre: Façade Restoration. Mr. Shilts appeared before the RDC to request for monies to assist with the completion of the front façade work. He referred to a package of materials that was provided to the members prior to the meeting. Monies have been secured from other businesses and grants, and Franklin Heritage is requesting a total of $150,000 from the RDC to partner in this project and assist with the total costs of completing the work. Mr. Heuchan made a motion to approve the partnership with Franklin Heritage and authorize Legal Counsel to assist with the necessary paperwork for an appropriation of up to $150,000, seconded by Mr. Deppe. The motion carried 4-0. Mr. Grossnickle abstained.

d) President Koenes requested that RDC be provided complete information for requests of appropriation of monies at least 30 days in advance. This will be a new requirement for future monetary requests.

e) Legal Counsel, Robert H. Schafstall, introduced representatives from Ivy Tech. Scott Neal is the Franklin site director and presented information regarding Phase I and Phase II of the Ivy Tech expansion project.

Phase II involves three new classrooms, one new computer lab, new four faculty offices and staff, new conference, expanded student commons, additional restrooms, capacity for 2000 enrollments, as well as a new program that involves early college opportunities.

The early college opportunity would allow a pilot group of students to start college classes through dual enrollment and obtain an associate degree at the same time they obtain their high school diploma. RDC agreed to review the request, in which one recommendation would be for the RDC to match any contributions from other partners up to a specified amount. The matter was tabled until the next meeting.

5) **Adjournment**: the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at approximately 9:20 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 26, 2009 at 8:00 a.m.

Approved this 26 day of March, 2009.

City of Franklin, Indiana Redevelopment Commission:

Attest:

By: [signature]
President

By: [signature]
Member