



CITY OF FRANKLIN

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

MINUTES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

March 12th, 2013

Members Present:

John Ditmars	President
H. Lee Hodgen	Vice-President
Tony Wellings	Secretary
Ken Austin	Member
Jake Sappenfield	Member

Others Present:

Rob H. Schafstall	Legal Counsel
Krista Linke	Director
Jaime Shilts	Recording Secretary

Call to Order:

John Ditmars called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Approval of Minutes:

On a motion by Jake Sappenfield and a second by Tony Wellings, the members voted to approve the minutes from the February 12th, 2013 meeting as presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

New Business:

EDC 2013-04: Mitsubishi Heavy Industries Climate Control:

Bob Francis stated they are purchasing 6 more finishing machines for the scroll department. They had 11 machines, purchased 2 more and received abatements on those. The additional 6 will be used machines from Japan. They currently have to purchase some of their scrolls and wish to make them themselves. They will be adding 3 additional people in the 4th quarter of this year and the 1st quarter of next year. The jobs will pay about \$15 per hour plus benefits. They are requesting a 10 year abatement on \$1.851 million.

Mr. Francis stated they have 3 different abatements on property. The board decided on a 7 year abatement with a 5% economic development fee.

Ken Austin made a motion to find case EDC 2013-04 in compliance with the 5 criteria under Indiana code 6-1.1-12.1-4.5 for a 7 year tax abatement with a 5% economic development fee on personal property with a favorable recommendation to City Council. Tony Wellings seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The City Council meeting date is March 18, 2013.

EDC 2013-05: Heartland Machine and Engineering LLC:

Mr. Tom Goin stated that Heartland Machine has now more than doubled their employment and are at 22 people. They have acquired the piece of property next to them. They have found out that Cummins will be bringing them more business and are now serving multiple states. They are joining up with a Korean manufacturer to become a strategic partner with them. They now have 24 machines in a building that fits about 13 and want to expand. They will employ a minimum of 4-6 people in the new facility and have been requested to employee a Korean speaking engineer. They are looking to have the new building completed by the middle of October. Mr. Goin stated that the holding group on the property is One Amigo. Ms. Linke stated the SB-1 form would need to be changed.

Ken Austin made a motion to find case EDC 2013-05 in compliance with the 5 criteria for an ERA designation and findings under Indiana code 6-1.1-12.1-3. Lee Hodgen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Jake Sappenfield made a motion to find case EDC 2013-05 in compliance with the Indiana code 6-1.1-12-1.3 and to approve a 10 year tax abatement with a 2% economic development fee on personal property as a recommendation to City Council. Lee Hodgen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

It will be before City Council at the March 18th, 2013 meeting. The public hearing for the economic revitalization area will be April 1st, 2013.

Other Business:

Economic Development Fees:

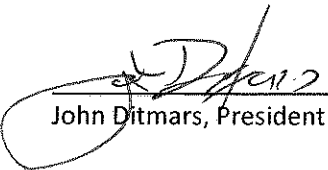
Ms. Linke stated there is someone new at the County Assessor's office and they did not assess the economic development fees for 2011 pay 2012. A separate bill is being set out to the companies that agreed to them. A recommendation needs to be made to the City Council on which entities will be receiving the funds. Mr. Ditmars requested a summary of the contributions that have been made.

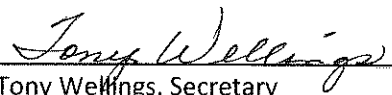
Special Meeting:

Ms. Linke stated there are 40 some compliance reports. She would like to have a special meeting on March 26th for half of them and the second half at the April meeting.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Respectfully submitted this 26th day of March, 2013.


John Ditmars, President


Tony Wellings, Secretary