



CITY OF FRANKLIN

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

MINUTES

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

April 10, 2018

Members Present:

Jake Sappenfield	President
Josh DeArmitt	Vice President
Ken Austin	Secretary
Lee Hodgen	Member

Others Present:

Rob H. Schafstall	Legal Counsel
Rhoni Oliver	Community Development Specialist
Krista Linke	Recording Secretary

Call to Order:

Jake Sappenfield called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

Lee Hodgen moved to approve the March 13th minutes. Josh DeArmitt seconded. The motion carried.

Old Business

None.

New Business

C 2018-01: 84 Lumber/Pierce Hardy (Resolution 2016-03 & 05)

Ken Austin commented that the number of employees was down due to seasonal employees. Ms. Oliver explained their seasonal employees per quarter. Mr. Sappenfield asked if they said a lot of their employees would be seasonal when they came in for the abatement, but no one could recall. Ken Austin moved to find them in substantial compliance and forward on to City Council. Mr. DeArmitt seconded. Approved.

C 2018-05: Caterpillar Reman Powertrain (Resolution 2010-15)

Mr. Austin commented on their 9 new employees and 347 total employees. Salaries look good. Mr. Austin moved to find them in substantial compliance, seconded by Mr. DeArmitt. Approved.

C 2018-09: Shipston Aluminum Technologies (Resolution 2012-02)

Mr. DeArmitt commented that their numbers all look really good. He moved to find them in substantial compliance. Mr. Hodgen seconded. Approved.

C 2018-18 Fisher Contracting (Resolution 2016-08)

Mr. Austin moved to find them in substantial compliance, seconded by Mr. DeArmitt. Approved. Mr. Sappenfield recused himself from the vote because they are one of his customers. Mr. Schafstall explained he does not have to recuse himself unless he is personally making money on them.

C 2018-25 JM Stevens Enterprises (Resolution 2013-03)

Mr. Austin made a motion to find them in substantial compliance, seconded by Mr. Hodgen. Approved.

C 2018-26 KYB Manufacturing North America (Resolution 2006-09)

Mr. Hodgen made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. DeArmitt. Approved. Mr. Sappenfield commented that is their last year for this abatement.

C 2018-38 NSK Corporation (Resolution 2013-02)

C 2018-39 NSK Corporation (Resolution 2013-20)

C 2018-40 NSK Corporation (Resolution 2016-19)

Ms. Oliver explained they were short on their personal property investment. They were approved at the end of 2016 and they have asked to extend their timeframe through 2018. She stated that all of their other numbers look really good. Their hourly wage is considerably higher. Mr. Schafstall commented that their SB-1 Form states May of 2019, so they do not need an extension, as they are not behind schedule at this point. Mr. Austin commented on how they are \$10 million behind on personal property investment. Rhoni Oliver explained that last year NSK requested an amendment to Resolution 2013-20 but that Mr. Schafstall said just to have them come back each year and explain. Mr. Sappenfield also commented that NSK previously explained part of this was also due to a currency exchange issue. Mr. Austin made a motion to find them in substantial compliance, seconded by Mr. Hodgen. Approved.

C 2018-41 NSK Precision America (Resolution 2013-18)

Mr. Austin commented that their employee numbers are strong along with their personal property improvements. Mr. Austin moved to approve, seconded by Mr. Hodgen. Approved.

C 2018-44 Tube Forming Systems d/b/a Overton Industries (Resolution 2010-10)

Mr. Austin commented on how they are also looking very strong with really nice salaries. Mr. Austin moved to find them in full compliance, seconded by Mr. Hodgen. Approved.

C 2018-46 Premium Composite North America (Resolution 2009-02)

Mr. Sappenfield didn't remember the wage being as low as reported in previous years. Ms. Oliver stated that she spoke to Steve Tames, and he reported the number of employees including those through the temp service, but did not their wages. She asked for a correction from Steve Tames on Friday. Mr. Austin commented that even though their wages shown are lower, they have almost 20 more employees than originally estimated and they have greatly exceeded their real property and personal property improvements. Mr. Austin moved to also find them in substantial compliance, seconded by Mr. Hodgen. Approved.

C 2018-50 BP RX Healthcare Packaging (Resolution 2010-05 & 2012-08)

Mr. Sappenfield asked for any discussion on this one. Mr. Austin commented that their numbers look strong. They have met their \$22.8 million property improvement estimate. Mr. DeArmitt moved to find them in substantial compliance, seconded by Mr. Austin. Approved.

C 2018-53 Tippmann Realty Partners, Phases 1-3 (Resolution 2004-06 & 2008-13)

C 2018-54 Tippmann Realty Partners, Phases 4-6 (Resolution 2011-08)

Mr. Sappenfield asked for discussion. Mr. Hodgen stated that he wished every memorandum looked as great as this one. Mr. Hodgen moved to find them in compliance, seconded by Mr. Austin. Approved.

Other Business

There will need to be a special meeting before the first City Council Meeting in May. Ms. Oliver is still waiting to receive approximately 10 compliance reports. It was decided to have the special meeting on May 1st. Mr. Sappenfield asked if there were any comments from the audience. None.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, a motion for adjournment was made by Mr. DeArmitt, seconded by Ken Austin. Passed.

Respectfully submitted this 1st day of May, 2018.

Jake Sappenfield, President

Ken Austin, Secretary