

DECATUR COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES- OCTOBER 16, 2024

The Decatur County Redevelopment Commission regular meeting was opened at 5:30 pm by President Don Schilling at the Decatur County Courthouse.

County RDC members present were President Don Schilling, Brian Keith, Todd Mauer, Danny Peters, Matt Miller and Chris Bower.

Others present: Somer Hart-Adams Township Volunteer Fire Department, Theresa Kovacich and Rob Dehoff- Decatur County Parks Department, Bryan Robbins-EDC, Steve Ruble- Strand Engineering, Mayor Josh Marsh and Mark Klosterkemper- City of Greensburg

Minutes of the meeting from September 18, 2024 were read and approved unanimously.

Somer Hart with the ATVFD presented two invoices for the construction of the new Fire Department building. One from Remmler Well Drilling for \$16,400.00 and one from LK Construction for \$37,776.00. Chris Bower motioned to approve both invoices, Matt Miller-second. Approved unanimously. Somer mentioned that the building is almost complete and that the well driller was wanting paid for two dry holes. The Board told her that the issue is between the fire department and the well driller and that the Board has no say in the matter. To date, the Board has approved \$547,200.00 toward the project.

Theresa Kovacich and Rob Dehoff with the Decatur County Parks Department approached the Board with their proposal for installing artificial turf on the ball diamonds at the City Park. Estimates for the total project is \$1,073,654.00. Turf for the first 4 of the diamonds is \$749,686.00 and that part of the funding has been covered by ARPA funds. Additional items not funded are for fencing, concessions and paving at a cost of \$388,000.00. The Board took no action on those items. There were other discussions about economic impact for the community and return on investment.

Mayor Josh Marsh and Mark Klosterkemper with the City of Greensburg approached the Board regarding the repaving of Michigan Avenue leading to the Honda plant. It was stated that several associates of the plant were concerned about the condition of the road and paint striping. The City provided an estimate for milling, repaving and striping at a cost of \$1,748,693.99 and requested that the RDC pay for half at a cost of \$874,347.00. Danny Peters questioned the City about using their portion of the excess revenues generated by the TIF district and the City was under the impression that the funds were being used to repay the SRF loans. Don Schilling informed them that the loans were paid off in 2022. The City will look into the matter.

Don then spoke about the 2025 budget that is to be forwarded to the State Department of Local Government Finance. Don said that he has spoken to Matt Eckerle with Accountants

Baker+Tilley about what was required and once he has the information, he will forward it to the Board.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for November 20, 2024 at the Courthouse at 5:30 pm.

With no further business, Danny Peters motioned to adjourn, Matt Miller- second, meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Approved: _____
President

Attest: _____
Secretary