

Redevelopment Authority of the County of Erie (ECRDA) Minutes of November 28, 2023 Public Meeting – 9am

The Redevelopment Authority of the County of Erie held a public meeting on November 28, 2023, at 9:00 am at MacDonald Illig Jones & Britton, 100 State St., Erie, PA. The meeting is pursuant to a legal ad published in the Erie Times on January 8, 2023.

Board Members present: Kate Philips, Harry Eighmy, Bill DeLuca, and Boo Hagerty.

Absent: David Knapp

Others present: Tina Mengine, Linda Robbins, Chris Groner, Jay Alberstadt Jr., ECRDA Solicitor, Wade Root, Public Information Officer, County of Erie.

Hearing of the Public: Kate Philips called the public hearing to order at 9:00am, asking for public comment. As there was none, she closed the public hearing.

Call to Order: Kate Philips called the meeting to order at 9:01am.

Approval of Minutes of October 24, 2023, Regular meeting*:

Kate Philips asked for additions/deletions to the minutes. As there were none, she called for a motion to approve. **On a motion** by Harry Eighmy seconded by Bill DeLuca, the minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

ECRDA Financial Report*:

Linda Robbins presented the balance sheet & profit and loss reports. Board discussion ensued. Kate Philips asked for a motion to accept. **On a motion** by Harry Eighmy, seconded by Bill DeLuca, the financial report was unanimously accepted as presented.

ECRDA Cash Available/Loans in Discussion*:

Chris Groner reported on the Cash Available/Loans in Discussion report. Board discussion ensued. Kate Philips asked for a motion to approve the report as presented. **On a motion** by Harry Eighmy seconded by Bill DeLuca, the report was unanimously approved as presented.

New Business:

- **Budget*:** Tina Mengine presented the proposed 2024 budget. Board discussion ensued. Kate Philips asked for a motion to accept. **On a motion** by Bill DeLuca seconded by Harry Eighmy, the 2024 budget was unanimously approved as presented.
- Resolution* Savocchio ratification*: Tina Mengine explained that we needed to ratify the
 resolution to make it officially valid. Kate Philips asked for a motion to approve the
 resolution. On a motion by Bill DeLuca seconded by Harry Eighmy, the motion was

- unanimously approved.
- FXI Bid Award Acceptance*: Tina Mengine presented the bid proposal from Porter
 Consulting Engineers. Scobell Company, Inc., was the lowest bid in the amount of
 \$216,170.00. Kate Philips asked for a motion to accept the bid presented. On a motion by
 Harry Eighmy seconded by Kate Philips, the motion was unanimously approved, and the bid
 was awarded to Scobell Company, Inc.
- Agenda Modification*: Tina Mengine explained that we added two Cooperation
 Agreements from St. Vincents that were not included on the agenda. On a motion by Kate
 Philips, seconded by Boo Hagerty, the Board unanimously approved amending the agenda
 to add the two cooperation agreements.
- St. Vincent RACP Resolution*: On a motion by Bill DeLuca to accept the St. Vincent RACP Resolution pending Dr. Chris Clarks signature seconded by Harry Eighmy, the motion was unanimously approved.
- Waterford Municipal Authority*: Chris Groner provided details of the \$500,000 loan request by Waterford Municipal Authority funding will be used to update the Sewage Treatment Plant. *On a motion* by Kate Philips seconded by Harry Eighmy, the loan was unanimously approved as presented.
- York Seaway*: Chris Groner provided details of the \$200,000 loan request by Rick York. The funding will be used for equipment acquisition. On a motion by Harry Eighmy seconded by Boo Hagerty the loan was unanimously approved as presented. For the record Bill DeLuca abstained.

CEO Update:

- **EMI/Ironwork Square**: We are increasing the lease able space from 73,000 square feet to 80,000 square feet. Should have drawings at the December meeting.
- **Savocchio Park:** The foundation has been laid and will be going out for bids for the construction of the greenhouse.
- **Union City Chair**: Waiting on the Environmental and Demolition reports to file eminent domain action.
- Bettors Property: Received tax reduction on the East Lake Road property.
- Corry RDA: Waiting on signed agreement to begin managing loan portfolio.
- Berry: On target for ribbon cutting in January or February.

Adjournment: With no other business, Kate Philips called for a motion to adjourn. **On a motion** by Boo Hagerty, seconded by Harry Eighmy, the meeting formally adjourned at 10:10 am.