

City of Zion
Tax Increment Financing Board of Review
Monday, May 12, 2008
4:00pm, Zion City Hall

MEETING MINUTES

I. Call to Order

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 4:02pm.

Present:

John Brown; Donna Flammini; Debbie Lewis; Shantal Taylor; Juanita Winfrey

Absent:

Nike Cliff; Al Hill; Bill Warren

II. Approval of meeting minutes from February 26, 2008

It was motioned by Ms. Flammini and seconded by Ms. Taylor to approve the minutes as presented.

Vote: John Brown, aye; Donna Flammini, aye; Debbie Lewis, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; Juanita Winfrey, aye. Motion passes

III. Downtown Wireless Sound System

Ms. Rogers stated that the Nostalgia Days committee has started a project to provide sound downtown for Nostalgia Days events in the City of Zion. In 2007, the Nostalgia Days committee tried to utilize an fm wireless radio system, however, this did not prove successful because most of the cars in Nostalgia Days have an am radio. Frank Flammini from the Nostalgia Days stated that the committee purchased a wireless fm short-range transmission system that can be used to broadcast live throughout a small area like our downtown. The committee has spent \$3,000 in purchasing the transmitter, receiver and 3 speakers and is asking TIF to help with the purchase of 9 more sets. In having this system, events such as Festival of Lights, Jubilee Days, Farmers Market, can be heard up and down the downtown area through the speakers which will be mounted on the lamp posts downtown. In addition, with the purchase of a receiver, announcements such as grand openings, and events can be broadcasted inside businesses. Ms. Rogers asked if there was a weatherproof enclosure for the speakers. Mr. Flammini stated that there were and they were \$100 a piece. Ms. Flammini asked the cost of the speakers. Mr. Flammini stated that the speakers are \$725 a pair.

It was motioned by Ms. Flammini and seconded by Ms. Taylor to approve a TIF Grant not to exceed \$10,000.

Vote: John Brown, aye; Donna Flammini, aye; Debbie Lewis, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; Juanita Winfrey, aye. Motion passes

IV. Seattle Sutton's Healthy Eating

Ms. Rogers stated that Sharon Finkel has not submitted any information and would like to table this request.

It was motioned by Ms. Flammini and seconded by Ms. Winfrey to table this request.

Vote: John Brown, aye; Donna Flammini, aye; Debbie Lewis, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; Juanita Winfrey, aye. Motion passes

V. Hussey's, Your-not-so-fine-dining Bar and Grill

Ms. Rogers stated that Hussey's is looking to relocate his Waukegan business to 3077 Sheridan Road. The TIF has supported several businesses in this location in the past and since then; the property value has increased tremendously.

Ms. Taylor asked if TIF were not willing to help him, would he still be willing to do the restaurant? Ms. Rogers stated yes. Commissioner Flammini expressed his concern about not having adequate parking. Ms. Rogers stated that Mr. Hussey is at the location now if anyone had any questions for him regarding his grant request.

It was motioned by Ms. Flammini and seconded by Ms. Lewis to adjourn the meeting to go to 3077 Sheridan Road at 5:07pm.

Vote: John Brown, aye; Donna Flammini, aye; Debbie Lewis, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; Juanita Winfrey, aye. Motion passes. Meeting adjourned

Chairman Brown called the meeting to order at 5:30. Ms. Flammini expressed her concern about the reputation that is affiliated with the name.

It was motioned by Ms. Winfrey and seconded by Ms. Taylor to approve a TIF Grant not to exceed \$65,000

Vote: John Brown, aye; Donna Flammini, nay; Debbie Lewis, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; Juanita Winfrey, aye. Motion passes.

VI. Adjourn

It was motioned by Ms. Flammini and seconded by Ms. Winfrey to adjourn the meeting at 5:56pm.

Vote: John Brown, aye; Donna Flammini, aye; Debbie Lewis, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; Juanita Winfrey, aye. Motion passes.