

**CITY OF WARREN REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING  
MAY 15, 2014**

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The regular meeting of the Redevelopment Authority was held on Thursday, May 15, 2014 at 11:00 AM in the Conference Room of the Municipal Building with Michael Boyd presiding.

Members present were Michael Boyd, Chuck Hayes and Randy Rossey. Tricia Durbin and David Cantrell were absent. Also present were David Hildebrand, Planner/Development Administrator; Mary Ann Nau, City Administrator; Alan Gustafson, Building Official; Nancy Freenock, City Manager; Michael Holtz, Director of Public Works, and Cindy Strandburg, Administrative Assistant for the City of Warren.

**MINUTES**

Upon motion by Mr. Hayes and second by Mr. Rossey, the minutes of April 17, 2014 were approved as presented.

**VISITORS**

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**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Upon motion by Mr. Hayes and second by Mr. Rossey, the Authority unanimously approved the financial statements as provided by the City.

Upon motion by Mr. Hayes and second by Mr. Rossey, the Authority unanimously approved the payment of \$438.94 (\$288.94 was previously approved at the April 17, 2014 meeting, however, a check was not issued) for snow removal at the properties that the Authority owns.

**BUSINESS**

**Authority Owned Properties.** The Authority discussed the properties that the Authority currently owns. Mr. Hildebrand stated that the property located next to 702 West Fifth was recently sold. Mr. Hildebrand further stated that this may be a good time to contact the new owners to see if they would be interested in purchasing 702 West Fifth Avenue. The Authority unanimously agreed to see if the new owners would be interested in the Authority deeding over 702 West Fifth Avenue.

**Real Estate Contract.** Mrs. Strandburg stated that during the February 20, 2014 meeting, the Authority asked to have the two local Real Estate Companies that submitted real estate proposals for the advertisement and sale of the properties that the Authority owns, be re-contacted to see what the commission would be if 304 and 306 Beech Street were sold together. Mrs. Strandburg further stated that she did hear from Real Living Avista who indicated that if the two properties were sold together then the commission would be \$1,500 compared to the \$1,000 per property if they are sold separate.

Upon motion by Mr. Hayes and second by Mr. Rossey, the Authority unanimously approved Real Living Avista, for the term of one year, to advertised and sell the properties that the Authority currently owns and properties that the Authority may purchase.

Mr. Gustafson stated that if the Authority signs a new contract would this prevent them from deeding over 702 West Fifth to the new neighbors.

Upon motion by Mr. Rossey and second by Mr. Hayes, the Authority unanimously agreed to hold off on accepting Real Living Avisita proposal until the new owners of 704 West Fifth can be contact to see if they are interested in the Authority deeding over 702 West Fifth to them.

**Pennsylvania Avenue East Gateway Renaissance Project.** Mr. Hildebrand that they he has talked to the Planning Commission regarding the Gateway Renaissance project from Conewango Avenue to the Glade Bridge. Mr. Hildebrand asked if there were any members of the RDA that may be interested in serving on a board for the progression of the Gateway Renaissance Project. Mr. Hildebrand further stated that several Planning Commission members along with staff from the Codes Department have already agreed to serve on the board. Mr. Rossey stated that he, and possibly Mr. Cantrell, would be interested in serving on the board.

The Authority discussed the criteria for the project including the interested and terms for the Enterprise Development Fund Loan.

**Liberty East.** Mrs. Freenock stated that due to the Sewage Treatment Plant construction, the fire departments training tower is not usable. Mrs. Freenock further stated that the Liberty East properties will be used for training until their training tower is accessible.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to be discussed, Mr. Boyd declared the meeting adjourned.