

PORT AUTHORITY OF WINONA MINUTES

DATE: November 8, 2018

PRESENT: Commissioners: Cichanowski, Thurley, Borzyskowski, Lucas, Hansen, Johnson, Gorman and Executive Secretary Sarvi

STAFF PRESENT: Director of Community Development Lucy McMartin, Finance Director Mary Burrichter & Development Coordinator Myron White

1. CALL TO ORDER – APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by President Cichanowski. A motion was made by Commissioner Lucas and seconded by Commissioner Borzyskowski to approve the September 13, 2018 minutes. The motion carried with all Commissioners present voting aye.

2. REMARKS BY PRESIDENT

President Cichanowski referenced the grand opening of The Garage Co-Work space and the enclosed itinerary. He also reminded everyone of the Chamber “After 5” event at Merchants Bank.

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2019 MAIN STREET CONTRACT

Director of Community Development McMartin explained that the proposed agreement represented the 5th year of support of the Main Street organization. She referenced the Main Street Director Kurash report that was made to the Port Authority and that there were no substantive changes to the contract. The expense is reflected in the 2019 Port budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Borzyskowski and seconded by Commissioner Lucas to approve the 2019 Main Street Contract. The motion carried with all Commissioners present voting aye.

B. DEVELOPMENT PROJECT/SAND REQUESTS

Director of Community Development McMartin updated the Port Authority on requests for dredge sand. She indicated that we currently have between 50,000 and 70,000 cubic yards of sand stored on Port property in the Tech Park. The proposed users of sand will be:

- The new YMCA development
- Winona County
- Bluffview Estates (a relatively small amount will be required)
- Fairfield (have already taken most of what they will need)
- Main Square Development

Information only/no action required.

C. THE GARAGE CO-WORK SPACE

Development Coordinator White reported that in March of 2018 the Port Authority had approved a loan of \$40,000 to The Garage Co-Work space largely for improvements to the 123 Lafayette space. Mr. White explained the effort, while owned by Eric Mullen, was in part the effort of a partnership between the WSU School of Business, the Kabara Institute at St. Mary's University, the Chamber/Main Street organization and the Port Authority/City of Winona.

Mr. White indicated that the renovations were almost complete but the improvements were greater than budgeted. The Garage has requested an additional \$18,500 in loan monies to help cover the additional costs. The terms of the loan would remain the same.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lucas and seconded by Commissioner Borzyskowski to approve the additional funding. The motion carried with all Commissioners present voting aye.

D. BOWFISHING ASSOCIATION OF AMERICA REQUEST

Director of Community Development McMartin forwarded a request by The Bowfishing Association of America to use 1060 Bruski Drive as a host site for their 2019 World Championship event on June 29, 2019. The site would be used to stage boats and hold event-related events. The Championship is anticipated to draw roughly 320 contestants and the Association has provided the proper insurance certificate. John Laska provided an overview of the event.

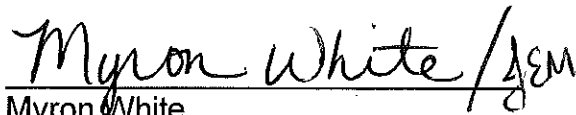
A motion was made by Commissioner Thurley and seconded by Commissioner Borzyskowski to approve the use of 1060 Bruski Drive for the event. The motion carried with all Commissioners present voting aye.

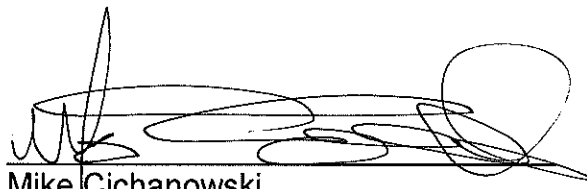
4. FINANCIAL REPORT

Finance Director Burrichter provided the latest County sales and use tax figures.

5. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Borzyskowski and seconded by Commissioner Hansen to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 4:28 pm.


Myron White
Development Coordinator


Mike Cichanowski
President