#### **REGULAR SESSION**

#### SCOTT COUNTY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

### MAY 22, 2023

The Scott County Redevelopment Commission met on May 22, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Meeting Room, Suite 128 of the Scott County Courthouse. Redevelopment Commission Board Members present were: Greg Prince, Brad Stotts, John Collins and Jonathon White; absent from the meeting was William Graham. Auditor, Jennifer Rode Hamelman was also present.

Greg Prince called the meeting to order, led the Pledge of Allegiance and opened the meeting for public comments.

There were no public comments.

#### **REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD FOR 2023**

Collins nominated Prince for Redevelopment Commission President. No other nominations were made for President.

**MOTION:** Collins moved to appoint Prince to the role of Redevelopment Commission President. White provided the second. Motion carried unanimously.

President Prince presided over the meeting.

White nominated Stotts for Redevelopment Commission Vice President. No other nominations were made for Vice President.

**MOTION:** White moved to appoint Stotts to the role of Redevelopment Commission Vice President. Collins provided the second. Motion carried unanimously.

Collins nominated White for Redevelopment Commission Secretary. No other nominations were made for Secretary.

**MOTION:** Collins moved to appoint White to the role of Redevelopment Commission Secretary. Prince provided the second. Motion carried unanimously.

### **BAKER TILLY PRESENTATION**

Jason Semler, a partner with Baker Tilly was present to educate the Redevelopment Commission members and Auditor Hamelman on how the Redevelopment Commission was to work. Semler explained that the State requires an annual report for all TIF districts and that has been prepared by Baker Tilly. He presented a pass-through letter for the Commissioners to sign to show that no excess assessed value has been allocated to the overlapping taxing units. Prince signed this form for the Redevelopment Commission.

Can TIF be used to fund Fire truck or Jail? The Statute has opened to include Fire and Police, EMS not mentioned. Must justify expenditures and purchase must benefit the TIF district. Semler encouraged seeking legal counsel before making purchases.

New legislation will require the RDC to develop a spending plan that will be due December 31, 2023.

Prince asked Semler where Scott County should be compared to other counties with similar size. Semler explained that it wasn't about the size of the county, but rather the amenities it already had. I-65 is very much under utilized in Scott County for development. He said that if the RDC would buy property and hold until a developer is interested it would put them on the short list for developers to build here. RDC should purchase prime property when available and use to expand industrial parks. TIF should be used to purchase the land and State Revolving Fund (SRF) loans to build infrastructure.

Prince stated that Scott County needs an Economic Development position and to utilize grant writers to work full time to bring industry to the county.

RDC decided they would meet monthly until more established.

Prince inquired if legal counsel should be retained. Semler stated he would consult as needed and refer to legal counsel if necessary.

Baker Tilly invoice for TIF work was presented for \$9,800.00.

**MOTION:** Stotts made motion to approve the Northern Scott County Allocation Area and Central Scott County Allocation Area. Collins provided the second. Motion carried unanimously.

# **NICK OLECK-EMS**

Oleck present to ask for help with ambulance planning. He offered several scenarios that will extend the use of Ambulances. He currently has two down and is waiting for parts. A new ambulance is \$346,000.00 and lasts three years or about \$115.000.00 per year. Stotts inquired if ambulances could be leased, and Oleck replied they are too specific to be leased. Ambulances ordered in 2023 will be delivered in 2024. RDC wants a premiere ambulance service and will purchase a new ambulance at an amount not to exceed \$350,000.00.

**MOTION:** Collins moved to allocate funding, not to exceed \$350,000.00, for a new ambulance. White provided the second. Motion carried unanimously.

# **NEXT MEETING**

The next RDC meeting will be held June 26, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Room, Suite 128, Scott County Courthouse.

# **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

There being no further business, Collins moved to adjourn the May 22, 2023, meeting. White provided the second. Motion carried unanimously.

**Greg Prince-President** 

**Brad Stotts-Vice President** 

Jonathon White-Secretary

William Graham-Member

John Collins-Member

Jennifer Rode Hamelman