St. Bernard Community Investment Corporation August 26, 2015 Minutes

Call to Order – President

Meeting was called to order by President Diana Schildmeyer.

Roll Call – Secretary

Secretary Barb Kalb called the roll. In attendance were Paul Myers, Peggy Brickweg, Barb Kalb, Diana Schildmeyer, Bill Burkhardt, John Goedde, Amy Yosmali and Ray Culbertson, Scott Inderhees and Gerry Wiedmann.

Minutes – Secretary

The minutes from the May 20 meeting were corrected. Under New Business, Ray Culbertson was not elected Treasurer. Ray's brother Robert Culbertson was proposed as the new Treasurer. Ray Culbertson would ask him to see if he was interested. Motion to approve the minutes, as amended, from May 20 was made by Bill Burkhardt, seconded by Ray Culbertson: all in favor.

Treasurer's Report – Treasurer

No report. Paul Myers stated that there is @\$140,000 in checking.

Old Business

- There was a discussion about changes to St. Bernard Square: Ross Avenue would be extended to connect West Ross with East Ross Avenues and Bank Avenue would be closed at Vine Street to increase parking and create more space at the Square. Residents behind the Square would use Ross Avenue to enter and exit.
- 2. A company is interested in the old Police Station. They proposed an Urgent Care facility with the hopes of also offering other services too. They envision occupational drug testing for employers, physical therapy, family medicine as well as other health care specialists. There was a discussion of opening a new recreation/fitness center for residents at this site. The city, not the CIC currently owns the building and there is a concern over the costs needed for this. It would be up to council to decide.

New Business

- 1. Board Vacancies:
 - a. Gerry Wiedmann stated that Adam Hackney, a resident who works at the St. Bernard Fifth Third Bank, was interested in being a member of the CIC to fill the vacancy on the board. Motion by Diana Schildmeyer, seconded by Bill Burkhardt to be the new trustee: all members voted in favor.
 - b. Ray Culbertson reported that his brother, Robert Culbertson, was willing to serve as Treasurer of the CIC. Motion by Diana Schildmeyer, seconded by Bill Burkhardt to nominate Robert as Treasurer: all members voted in favor.
- 2. The Port Authority has been asked to demolish 2 properties in St. Bernard: The old Moon Tavern on the corner of Baker and Vine and 41 Baker. If accepted, there will be no cost to the CIC for demolition.
- 3. Monarch Homes has agreed to be the developer for the 2 lots at Tower and Franklin. They also expressed an interested in developing the project on Cleveland Avenue and the townhouses on Tower. There is still 1 house on Cleveland to be acquired. The owner is not interested in selling at this time. Paul Myers stated that we may need to proceed without this property.

Open Discussion

- 1. State Auditors are auditing the 2013 and 2014 CIC accounts. There will be changes required to meet the standards. There was a motion by Bill Burkhardt, seconded by Diana Schildmeyer to use Schonhardt and Associates as the new firm too help us comply with the new standards. The approximate cost will be \$2200. All members voted in favor.
- The HIP inspector has been on Vine Street and there are two CIC-owned buildings that have paint uses and a garage that needs to be demolished: 4509 and 4604 Vine Street. Motion by Diana Schildmeyer and seconded by Bill Burkhardt to do whatever needs to be done to address the issues. All members voted in favor.
- 3. Several members of the audience addressed the CIC with concerns about new developments at the Square that might make it harder for the small business owners on Vine. They want to see more property available for small businesses. There was also a discussion about the procedures and composition of the CIC, as well as concerns about the number of properties owned the CIC.

Next Meeting

Next meeting will be November 16 at 5:30pm in conference room.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Bill Burkhardt, seconded by Ray Culbertson: all in favor.

Submitted by Barb Kalb, Secretary