

**KNOX REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2022 AT 4:30 P.M.**

Knox Redevelopment Commission met in Regular Session at Knox City Hall February 16, 2022 at 4:30pm

PRESENT:

Mayor Dennis Estok, Jeff Berg, Marcia Hayes, Nathan Bradley, Marsha Boggs, Mike Estok (via phone).

Absent: MaryLynn Ritchie

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

January 19, 2022, motion made by Marsha Boggs to add 6A to agenda: RE- Moose Building Appraisal, second by Nathan Bradley.

TREES:

Presentation by Phil Woorley-Purdue Certified Arborist, concerning replacement of trees on Main Street, Lake Street and Washington Street. Discussion continued on benefit of street trees and several options were suggested by Phil Woorley. Phase 1: Replacement of trees on Main Street (20 trees). Phase 2: Replacement of trees on Lake and Washington Street.

Mitch Thompson, owner of Grow your Own Organics, LLC gave a very informative presentation on Tree Grates and the benefits of these grates. Many options available from Iron Smith Manufacturer in Indianapolis, IN. This company also makes benches, trash cans, etc. Grates would be ADA compliant with 10 year warranty and anchored into the concrete.

Lyons Nursery would be the nursery of choice for the trees. They would be balled and burlaped trees that would be delivered and planted. Trees would be 12-14 feet in height when purchased.

The Mayor asked Mitch for the cost of trees, labor, and grates, to be presented at the next meeting on March 16, 2022. Trees need to be planted in the months with R (March/April) would be the best time. Old trees would be removed by the city.

FAÇADE PROGRAM:

Mayor Estok said applications were sent out with some interest but no applications have been returned. Program has an 80/20 match up to \$15,000.00. Marcia Hayes made motion to approve Façade Program, second by Nathan Bradley.

6 N. MAIN STREET:

The commission gave Mayor Estok permission to negotiate the purchase of 6 N Main Street up to \$24,900.00. Motion made by Marsha Boggs, second by Mike Estok. The city's intention is to clean up and clear out the building, replace store front windows to make more appealing for Pop-Up Store.

MOOSE LODGE:

Commercial appraisal needed – cost quote from Enshiustra Appraisal Inc from Hebron, Indiana, cost \$1,200.00. Marcia Hayes made motion to go ahead with appraisal, second by Nathan Bradley.

The office of the Mayor needs all information from Knox Redevelopment Commission members – as the members are to be paid per meeting and will be paid at the end of the year.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 16,2022

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned- motioned by Nathan Bradley, Marcia Hayes second.

Approved this _____ day of _____, 2022.

Jeff Berg President

Marsha Boggs