

Winnebago County Industrial Development Board

Minutes for June 22, 2017 Meeting

County Administration Building, 1st Floor Conference Room,
112 Otter Ave., Oshkosh, WI

Board Members Present: George Dearborn, Mark Harris, George Scherck, Joel Rasmussen, Ken Robl, John Bodnar, Mary Krueger

Board Members Excused: Rob Keller, Linda Kutchenriter, David Albrecht, Elizabeth Hartman

Others Present: Jerry Bougie, Jason White (GO-EDC), Rob Kleman (Oshkosh Chamber), Jon Hochkammer (WCA), Jason Stringer (WECC)

Meeting Called to order by Vice Chair George Dearborn at 1:31 pm.

1. Approval of Minutes from February 9, 2017 meeting. Motion by Ken Robl, seconded by John Bodnar to approve the minutes as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

George Dearborn, with the consensus of the Board, moved up item #4 regarding the PACE program to this point in the meeting.

2. Presentation, discussion and possible Board action on Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) Program, Winnebago County Resolution and Ordinance – Jon Hochkammer, WCA.

Jerry Bougie introduced Jon Hochkammer, WCA, and Jason Stringer, WECC, who are representing the PACE program in the state. Jon and Jason provided an overview of the program. He indicated that it's an economic development tool by offering low interest loans for businesses, via local banks, to construct or renovate facilities that are built with sustainable, energy saving materials. The low interest loans provided by local banks allows for additional business investment and job opportunities. It's an optional program for counties and doesn't require any additional work for counties after the initial setup, but if costs are incurred by the County, the program allows for reimbursement. Nineteen counties in the state have already set-up PACE programs. It requires passage of a resolution and ordinance by the County Board. Any delinquent loans are collected by a lien on the property via the property tax bill. The consensus of the Board was that this program was worth pursuing and John Bodnar will gather the appropriate documents to present at the next IDB meeting.

3. At 2:01 pm, George Scherck made a motion to convene into closed session, pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes, Sec. 19.85(1)(g), for the purpose of conferring with legal

counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the Board with respect to litigation which is likely to become involved. Mary Krueger seconded the motion. Roll Call vote: Robl, aye; Scherck, aye; Bodnar, aye; Krueger, aye; Harris, aye; Rasmussen, aye; Dearborn, aye. Motion passed 7-0. At 2:14 pm John Bodnar made a motion to reconvene into open session. Motion seconded by Mark Harris. Motion passed 7-0.

4. Review and Board action on budget transfer from CDBG Fund balance to the CDBG Legal Services account.

Jerry Bougie presented a \$6,000 budget transfer request for legal fees relative to the G&J Litho loan delinquency. He indicated that outstanding legal fees through May 2017 total \$3,572 and additional fees are expected during the remaining of 2017. John Bodnar moved to approve the \$6,000 budget transfer as presented. Motion seconded by Ken Robl. Motion passed 7-0.

5. Adjournment.

Mark Harris moved and Joel Rasmussen seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 2:19 pm.

Submitted by,

Jerry L. Bougie
Recording Secretary