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## LAWRENCEBURG REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

June 11, 2018

5:10 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Tony Abbott. The roll call was taken with all members present. Chairman Abbott asked for approval of the minutes. A motion to approve the May 14<sup>th</sup> regular meeting minutes was made by Dennis Hutchins and a second by Randy Abner. Motion passed. A motion to approve the May 30<sup>th</sup> work session meeting minutes was made by Dennis Hutchins and a second by Owen Cross. Motion passed.

Chairman Abbott asked if there were any announcements. Director Messmore stated that we have an excess TIF value report that redevelopment has to file. He stated this year they are adding another step to that with a Resolution. He stated the Resolution shows a calculation of TIF revenues expected to be collected in 2019. Director Messmore continued that certified letters would be sent to all taxing units within the TIF district. Tony Abbott asked for a motion to approve Resolution 1-2018. Dennis Hutchins made the motion to approve Resolution 1-2018 and Paul Seymour Sr. made the second. Motion passed.

Mike Clark spoke next under announcements. He stated a FEMA representative stopped in today and stated they would be located at the Aurora Lions Club from 9:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. to assist those who obtained damage from the recent flooding.

Kelly Brookbank read the financial report. The fund balance as of June 4, 2018 was \$2,315,364.18. After our committed project monies the actual balance is \$1,383,000.91.

Under new business Director Messmore stated that he has been in communications with United Community Bank regarding the property on 359 Arch Street. He stated they are willing to sell for \$24,999. He asked the board for approval to proceed with the purchase and the acquisition process which would include getting demolition bids. A motion was made by Dennis Hutchins to accept United Community Bank's purchase price of \$24,999 and after purchase authorize

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Director Messmore to get the bids for demolition. Randy Abner made the second and the motion passed.

Next under new business were mural discussions. Director Messmore stated that the design committee with Main Street received an application to fund a mural through the paint and façade program. He informed the board that they denied the request as they didn't see this falling under the specifications of the paint and façade program.

Next under new business was 407 West High Street. Director Messmore stated the owner contacted him and is seeking the appraised value for the building. He stated they did not accept the offer of \$24,999. Randy Abner asked if the contractors across the street would be interested in purchasing this property. Director Messmore stated that the board could table this matter and attempt to get this property sold through private interest. Dennis Hutchins made a motion for Director Messmore to contact the contractors, Flaherty and Collins and see if they are interested. He stated if not, then bring this back to the board. A second was made by Randy Abner and the motion passed.

Next under new business was 230 East Williams Street. Director Messmore stated the owners are seeking appraised value. Dennis Hutchins stated the board is being generous with an offer of \$24,999. He stated he went and looked at the property and it is in poor condition. Randy Abner stated that the board should stand firm with the \$24,999. Dennis Hutchins made a motion to formally offer the owners of 230 East Williams Street \$24,999. Randy Abner made a second and the motion passed.

Director Messmore informed the board there was a Main Street update in their packets for the board's review. Chairman Abbott stated that he had concerns regarding applicants paying themselves or their businesses to perform the work with the grant monies. He stated there is one example of this in the packets and he would like to see this changed. Pat Krider came to the podium and stated the committee discussed this in detail and requested the recipient provide proof of payroll amounts to the employees performing the work. Chairman Abbott stated it should not be allowed in the future. Dennis Hutchins asked a question about

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the porch on 330 Arch Street. He stated that the rails still haven't been installed. Main Street Director Pat Krider stated that she would drive over there after the meeting to address this. Pat Krider also informed the board that they are low on the New Home Owners Grant balance. The board discussed and agreed that \$150,000 should be sent to Main Street for this program. A motion was made by Dennis Hutchins to fund the program. A second was made by Owen Cross and the motion passed.

Chairman Abbott asked for approval of claims once properly certified. A motion was made by Dennis Hutchins to approve the claims once properly certified. A second was made by Randy Abner and the motion passed.

Chairman Abbott asked for any comments from the audience. Paul Seymour Jr. came to the podium and made the announcement that he is going to start construction of his new home and that he is not going apply for any of the grant money. He stated he is going to follow the example Dennis Hutchins set as a board member and not apply for the grant monies.

Next, Director Messmore discussed the competitive process for disposition of vacant lots for new construction. He suggested that he get the construction committee together to develop a formal process.

Chairman Abbott asked for a motion to adjourn. Dennis Hutchins made the motion and the second was made by Randy Abner. Motion passed and the meeting adjourned.