

***Rainier Economic Development Council
Minutes
March 27, 2008
6:00 p.m. Rainier City Hall***

Present Council

Mike Avent

David Qualman

Terry Deaton

Terry Grice

Dearl Taylor

Absent Council

Paul Rice

Tim Navarro

Executive Session

Discussion regarding the information requested from Sullivan by Steve Petersen. The information is to be forwarded to Steve Petersen April 4, 2008. Steve Petersen had reviewed Karen William's contract and Mike Avent signed the contract.

Visitors Comments

None

Invited Reports

None

Approval of October 18, 2007 Regular Meeting Minutes.
Tabled

Approval of February 28, 2008 Regular Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Taylor, 2nd Deaton to approve the minutes as read. **Passed** unanimously.

Approval of March 13, 2008 Work Session Minutes.

Motion by Taylor, 2nd by Qualman to approve the minutes as read. Passed unanimously.

Sloan Nelson (Agreement)

Qualman *signed the agreement* and Nelson has 6 months to complete his project.

Scott Nelson

Tabled for lack of information. Rice was to report regarding the New Sign. Tried to make phone contact with Rice for his report, but he was not available.

Rainier Marina Market (New Admit).

Tabled for next meeting. Oliva building owner and the partners in Rainier Marina Market, both submitted separate applications.

Columbia Phoenix Development Extension.

- (1) 113 1st Street
- (2) 109 1st Street
- (3) 111 1st Street

Tabled for lack of information. Need more clarification. REDCO must view the original applications. Checked the Grant accounts payable, some of the dollars may have been paid in advance. The grants are to be paid after the work is complete.

Tyack Bench Grant

Deaton updated the council. The Eagles is working with the City to install park benches also. Gare is to share the information with REDCO so all benches may be the same and perhaps get price breaks.

City Council's Requests

REDCO's finances, Grant allocation and expenditures, project list, and funds available have been collected by Deaton and Qualman. City Councilman Moon requested documents be presented at the May 1, 2008 Council meeting.

Staffing

After some discussion it was decided to wait until the Budget Work Session to further discuss this issue of staffing. Terry Deaton is working with Lars Gare for office space.

Contractors estimates for Restrooms in Old Town. (Mike Avent). Avent left the meeting early so was not able to report.

2008-2009 Budget

Discussion concerning USG payment shortfall.

Levy

No new projects next year.

Guidelines on how to put the budget together.

The need to start putting the Budget Committee together.

Ethics Form to be filed with the State for all Council Members

Gare checked and did submit all of the Council Members names to the State.

Taylor & Qualman request a copy of 06-07 Budget.

Could not locate in the vault-. Someone is to bring a copy of record.

Letter from the State regarding the Audit.

Gare is to check with the auditors (Polly Rodgers) to see if they are available for REDCO.

Affordable Housing

Some discussion regarding the difference between low income and affordable housing. The state is requiring 20% of Urban Renewal Plans to address affordable housing.

Wondering if roads and infrastructure dollars applied towards the quota for Affordable Housing.

Fuel Dock and Kayak Site at Old Town Marina

Dearl is speaking to different agencies to see what the guidelines will be for a fuel dock.

He is meeting with the Ford Foundation and they will be discussing Kayaking, April 12.

Pay outstanding bills.

- ii) TFT Bill \$10,000.00
- iii) Quill (invoice 16402; 27951) \$59.38
- iv) Clatskanie Chief \$ 9.00
- v) Web Mission L.L.C. \$ 5.00

Motion by Deaton, 2nd by Taylor to pay outstanding bills listed above.

Meeting adjourned 7:40 p.m.

Chair, Mike Avent

Attested:

Darliss Hyke, Secretary