

Avilla Redevelopment Commission

Minutes – May 13, 2021

Members in Attendance: Josh Harper, Ross Freeman, Josh Lash, Kurt Kline and Brent Durbin, ex-officio.

Members Absent: Todd Carteaux.

Also in attendance: Mark Eck, Brian & Dorothy Iddings and Bill Ley.

Vice-President Ross Freeman called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

Josh Lash made a motion and Josh Harper seconded, to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2021 meeting as written. The motion passed 4 – 0 with one absent.

Bill Ley presented the April 30, 2021 financial report. Josh H. motioned, and Josh L. seconded to approve. The motion carried 4 – 0 with one absent.

New business:

Mark Eck explained Wickfab's Statement of Benefits for tax abatement on a new laser cutter and related equipment. Josh Lash motioned to adopt Resolution 2021-2 recommending the Avilla Town Council grant Wickfab a 10 year tax abatement on the equipment. Kurt Kline seconded and the motion carried 4 – 0 with one absent.

Mark Eck presented a second Statement of Benefits for a new Forklift at Wickfab. Josh Lash motioned and Josh Harper seconded to approve Resolution 2021-3 recommending the Avilla Town Council grant Wickfab a 10 year tax abatement on the forklift. The motion carried 4 – 0 with one absent.

Dorothy and Brian Iddings presented an application for a façade grant and 4 quotes to replace the roof on their building at 201 E. Albion Street, the former Mid-Town Market. The Paul Davis quote was rejected because it included interior repairs. After review of the remaining quotes, Josh Lash motioned and Josh Harper seconded to approve the grant for 25% of the lowest quote in the amount of \$6,437.50.

Josh Harper suggested there should be money allocated from the TIF fund to extend the TIF area on North and South Main Street. Josh Lash made a motion and Josh Harper seconded to allocate not-to-exceed \$35,000 of the TIF for the expansion of the TIF area. The motion carried 4 – 0.

With no further business, Ross motioned to adjourn, and Josh L. seconded. The meeting adjourned at 6:12 pm.

Joshua Lash, Secretary
Recorded by Bill Ley