

## Edinburgh, Indiana Joint Meeting

### Edinburgh Redevelopment Authority Edinburgh Redevelopment Commission

#### Meeting Minutes Redevelopment Commission Perspective July 14, 2014

Ted Lucas, President of the Commission, called the membership roll.

Members:	Present	Absent
Ted Lucas – President	X	
Bill West – Vice President	X	
Karen Fitzpatrick	X	
John Rondot – Secretary	X	
Ray Walton	X	
Cathy Hamm		X

Other Attendees: Dustin Huddleston, Town Attorney; John Drybread, Redevelopment Authority President

#### First Order of Business – Approval of Minutes

April 14, 2014 Meeting

Comments:

Motion to Approve: Ray Walton                      Second: Bill West

Vote: Motion approved unanimously

#### Second Order of Business – Open Discussion

**Timbergate Golf Course:** John Rondot asked that Wayne Gibbs, Timbergate Manager, be invited to attend the next Commission meeting in October to discuss next steps in Timbergate maintenance and improvements. Bill West noted that Wayne was out-of-town and unavailable for this evening's meeting.

Ray Walton mentioned that the cutting of the high grass using bush hogs definitely makes the course look better.

Ray also mentioned that he is serving as a course marshal during the weekends and noticed a very large number of visitors playing the course. He believes that the close proximity of the course to I-65 is responsible for many of these visitors.

Ray commended the course summer help for their diligence in keeping the course in great shape. He mentioned that several of the summer workers are golf team members and that they understand what needs to be done to have a first-rate golf course.

John Rondot asked about the condition of the ponds on the course. He mentioned that the fountain on hole number one is no longer working and that the pond is beginning to be covered with algae or growth of some kind. He also mentioned that the fountain on hole number four has not been operational in more than two years. John Drybread said that he would look into the situation to see what can be done about the ponds and fountains. John Rondot said that he understood that muskrats are responsible for the damage done to the fountains.

John Rondot asked John Drybread if he had any conversation with Wayne Gibbs about Budget needs in the coming year for Timbergate Golf Course. John Drybread said that he would be meeting with Wayne during the next week or two for 2015 budget discussions.

**Core Business – Randy Burton:** Ted Lucas asked Dustin Huddleston for a status update concerning the core business on Holland Street. Dustin reported that there is a judgment from the Court levying a \$25,000 fine against Randy Burton and that Randy Burton has signed an agreement to pay the fine and keep the property in accordance with local codes. Dustin stated that the business is allowed to have materials in sight during the work day but not overnight.

**Grain Elevator – Mr. Black:** Dustin Huddleston said that he is proceeding with his case to begin pressing for the removal of the large Grain Elevator next to the railroad tracks. This would

include the building marked "Lotus Warehouse", which sits across the street from the Elevator. Mr Black is the current owner of the Elevator, which has been unused for several years. Karen Fitzpatrick mentioned that it appears there are multiple ways to enter that structure and was wondering if kids are getting into the building. If so, Karen believes that this could be a serious safety hazard.

**Dilapidated Building in Town – General Clean-up:** Karen Fitzpatrick asked if there is anything that can be done about the dilapidated buildings around town. Dustin Huddleston and John Drybread said there is a procedure in place to address these structures. John mentioned that it is a standard, but drawn-out process involved to condemn private property. The process for investigation and action is controlled by Wade Watson, Building Commissioner.

Dustin said that if members of the Commission see structures which need to be investigated that they should report them to Wade Watson.

Karen asked if there are community groups that might help with property clean-up. John Drybread said that he is talking with the schools about being involved with community clean-up. John also mentioned that a lien can be put on a property if the property must be cleaned up by town employees.

Karen mentioned that there is a shipping container at a house on Campbell Street. She also mentioned that there are vehicles that sit on streets for extended periods and wondered if there is a time limit for non-operational vehicles to be on the street.

John Rondot suggested that this area should be an emphasis point for the Commission going forward.

**June 6, 2014 Drownings in Big Blue River:** The Commission commended all of the Public Service workers for the excellent work they did during the tragic drowning of the two teenagers.

**Other Business:** Next Meeting of the Commission will be October 13, 2014 following the Town Council Meeting.


**Adjournment:**


Motion to Adjourn: Karen Fitzpatrick

Second: Ray Walton

Vote: Motion approved unanimously

Edinburgh Redevelopment Commission

  
Ted Lucas, President

  
Bill West, Vice President

Ray Walton, Member

  
Karen Fitzpatrick, Member

ATTEST:

  
John Rondot, Secretary