

**CITY OF MERRILL
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2024 MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS 8:00 AM**

I. Call to Order Chair Hass called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Roll Call:

Present: Bares, Alderperson Sabatke, Mayor Hass, Rutkowski, Nelson

Excused: Tony Kusserow, Gary Hartwig

Others present: LaDonna Furmanich, Nathan Meyer, City Clerk Lori Anderson-Malm, Finance Director Kathy Unertl, Finance Director Emily Ley, City Attorney Tom Hayden, City Administrator Rod Akey. Meyer set up and operated the Merrill Production camera.

II. Consider approving minutes from the previous meeting:

1. **February 7th minutes** - Nelson made a motion to Approved February 7, 2024 meeting minutes. Bares seconded and the motion Passed.

III. Public Comment Stephanie Springborn read a statement that she was no longer pursuing a state grant or TID funding for the project at 419 W Main St. and thanked the RDA and Common Council.

IV. General Agenda Items for Consideration:

1. **Status update on potential residential development along Spruce St extension (TID No 7)** - City Administrator Akey advised, the phase two environmental study continues.
2. **Consider the proposed Polk St. drainage improvements (TID No. 12)** - Alderperson Sabatke made a motion to authorize 50% cost sharing with Weinbrenner for proposed drainage improvements. Nelson seconded and the motion Passed. Drainage improvement estimated at \$27,500 from TID No. 12.
3. **Review of updated 2023 Building Permit and Development Summary Information** - Updated information was reviewed by the RDA Commissioners.
4. **Continued review of Residential Incentive Program Application - 205 N Cleveland St (TID No. 6)** - Bares made a motion to take the item off the table. Alder person Sabatke seconded and the motion Passed. Commissioners discussed criteria for the new housing incentive program.

Bares made a motion to reject the application for 205 N Cleveland St. Rutkowski seconded and the motion Passed.

5. Update from Lincoln County Economic Development Corp. (LCEDC) on activities - Report from LCEDC ws reviewed.

V. Date and Time of Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 3, 2024 at 8:00 am

VI. Adjournment Bares made a motion to adjourn. Rutkowski seconded and the motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 a.m.