

**TOWN OF PORTER
PORTER REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
303 FRANKLIN STREET
February 22nd, 2005**

Sandy Boothe called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and lead the Pledge of Allegiance

Present were: Sandy Boothe, Paul Childress, Trudi Gallagher, Bill Donley and Jennifer Granat

Approval of Minutes:

Jenny Granat moved to approve the December 8th 2005 minutes as written. Trudi Gallagher seconded Motion passed 4-0. Bill Donley voted present

Consideration of Claims:

Duneland Group for Porter bike trail engineering. \$1519.94

Jenny Granat moved to approve the claim. Trudi Gallagher seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Petitions from the Floor.

None

Reports from Officers

President's report – None

Secretary-Treasurer – The Duneland Group letter outlining the progress to date on the Porter Bike Trail was presented. It is attached to these minutes.

OLD BUSINESS

Waverly Pedestrian walkway status update: Tim Haas presented the minutes of the meeting with INDOT. It is attached to these minutes. A meeting is scheduled for February 23rd with County officials about the widening for the bridge over the Little Calumet river. INDOT was not helpful on the I-94 Bridge.

Sewer Work Status: Tim Haas presented a contract for the work on the Porter Ave. sewer. It is attached to these minutes. Jenny Granat moved to approve the contract. Trudi Gallagher seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Tim Haas presented a letter recommending J&G Innovation for the chart recorders needed for the sewer system. The letter and all the quotes are attached.

Jenny Granat moved to award the contract for the chart recorders to J&G Innovation for \$6230.00. Bill Donley seconded. Motion passed 5-0

NEW BUSINESS

Grant Writer selection was discussed.

Trudi Gallagher moved to approve Stephanie L. Jones as the grant writer pending Town Attorney approval of her contract. Jenny Granat seconded. Stephanie's resume, letter and contract are attached to these minutes. It was discussed that Kathy Cephich lives in Michigan City and Stephanie will be moving to Kouts in May. We need someone to start right away.

Vote: Paul-yes, Bill-yes, Trudi-yes, Jenny-no, Sandy-no. Motion passed 3-2

Town of Porter Clerk Treasurer Carol Pomeroy requested a loan to the town general fund of \$500,000.00. This money will keep the town afloat until the next tax draw.

Jenny Granat moved to approve the loan request. Bill Donley seconded. Motion passed 4-1 with Paul Childress dissenting.

Comments from Commissioners.

None

Bill Donley moved to adjourn the meeting

Paul Childress seconded it.

Motion passed 4-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:36pm

Trudi Gallagher, Vice-President

Paul L. Childress Secretary-Treasurer

Jennifer Granat

Bill Donley