

EASTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
November 18, 2009

Roll Call

The monthly meeting of the Easton Redevelopment Authority was held on Wednesday, November 18, 2009 in the 5th Floor Council Chambers, One South Third Street, Easton, PA. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Richard McAteer. Members present: Mr. McAteer, Mr. Bertsch, Ms. Moser-Collins and Ms. Lauritzen. Staff present: Ms. Woolverton. Solicitor Dan Cohen was also present.

Approval of Minutes. A motion to accept the meeting minutes of October 21, 2009 regular meeting was made by Ms. Moser-Collins and seconded by Ms. Lauritzen, approved by all.

New Business

2010 Meeting Schedule. A list of meeting dates for 2010 was distributed. All meetings are to be held on the third Wednesday of the month. The annual meeting is scheduled for August 18, 2010. A motion to approve the resolution setting the meeting dates for 2010 was made by Ms. Moser-Collins, seconded by Mr. Bertsch, approved by all.

2010 Staff Wages. Staff wages for 2010 had been discussed at the October meeting and formally presented through resolution at this meeting. A motion to approve the resolution setting staff wages for 2010 was made by Ms. Moser-Collins, seconded by Mr. Bertsch, approved by all.

2010 Taggart Contract. The Taggart contract for 2010 was presented to the Board. A motion to approve the contract was made by Mr. Bertsch, seconded by Ms. Moser-Collins, approved by all.

2009 Taggart Contract Addendum. A resolution approving an addendum to the 2009 Taggart contract for \$5,000 was presented. It was noted the additional billing was for work on the Bushkill Creek trail which had not been included in the 2009 contract. A motion to approve the resolution accepting the addendum was made by Ms. Moser-Collins, seconded by Mr. Bertsch, approved by all.

Contract for Real Estate Property and Title Services. Mr. McAteer said the ERA would be purchasing properties in the near future for the NSP program and would require real estate property title and insurance services. He said an RFP was released and staff recommended entering into a contract with Greater Pennsylvania Abstract for the services. A motion to approve the resolution to enter into contract with Greater Pennsylvania Abstract was made by Ms. Moser-Collins, seconded by Mr. Bertsch, approved by all.

Approval of Bills. Copies of the bills for October, 2009 were distributed to the Board. A motion to approve payment of the bills was made by Ms. Lauritzen and seconded by Ms. Moser-Collins, approved by all.

Monthly Reports from the Executive Director and staff. There were no questions or comments from the Board on the staff reports for October, 2009.

The public meeting was adjourned at 5:50 PM and Executive Session was entered.

Executive Session ended at 6:03 and the public session resumed.

Mr. Cohen said the City is looking at acquiring two lots on South Third Street to build an intermodal facility. The City has asked the Redevelopment Authority to take the lead on acquiring the properties by entering into eminent domain if necessary. A resolution authorizing the Solicitor to institute such proceedings for the properties was presented. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Ms. Moser-Collins, seconded by Mr. Bertsch, approved by all.

As there was no further business to attend the meeting adjourned at 6:08 pm.

ATTEST:

BY:

Nancy Moser-Collins
Secretary
DATE:

Richard McAteer
Chair
SEAL: