**ARedevelopment Commission**

**April 5, 2018**

**Meeting Minutes**

1. **Opening and Roll Call**

**Members present:** Heather Blaudow – Chairperson, Shelley Haney, Brian Hurley, Suzanne Short, Donetta Gee-Weiler, and Larry Longman – Council Liaison

**Members absent:** Shannon Walls – MVCSC

**Others present:** Town Manager Tonya Galbraith, Gregg Morelock, Ariel Schoen, and Tim Jensen of Veridus, and Fred Prazean of Context Design.

1. **Approval of March 1, 2018 minutes**

Ms. Short made a motion to approve the March 1, 2018 minutes as approved.   
 2nd by Ms. Haney. Passed 5/0.

1. **RFP for consulting services – Opening RFP’s – Establishing a selection committee**Ms. Galbraith reported that she sent out six RFP’s and received all six in return. Those companies who placed bids are:

Browning Day Mullens & Dierdorf

Leadership & Design

Thomas P Miller & Associates

MKSK Studios

Rundell Ernstberger Associates

Ratio Architects, Inc.

Context Design

Ms. Galbraith then explained the role of the Selection Committee who will review, meet, discuss and then select two of these companies to interview for the project. Ms. Short volunteered, creating a Selection Committee of five including Tonya Galbraith, Ryan Crum, Tim Jensen, Larry Longman, and Suzanne Short\*. This committee will meet on April 23 to review the six RFPs and select two firms to interview. The interviews will be conducted by the full RDC and their selection will be made at the May 3, RDC meeting.

* Devin Stettler was added to the selection committee at a later date.

1. **Report from Landowners Meeting**Mr. Hurley reported on the meetings with three landowners. Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Jacobi, Mr. Tom Wiley, and the Jim Thomas family. The meetings went well with all participants being interested in their property being a part of the master planning process for the Town Center.
2. **Council Liaison Report – Larry Longman**Mr. Longman gave a report on the March Town Council meeting touching on amendments to the Peddler’s Permit and the Disclosure of Public Records ordinances, the Stellar Communities program, and the Eldridge and Ewing annexations.
3. **Old Business**Stellar Program - Ms. Galbraith presented the Stellar Program letter of support from this committee for the members to individually sign. She also reported on the meeting with stakeholders all over Hancock County to share information and gain support. Hancock County has two applications being submitted, one from us in collaboration with Cumberland and New Palestine, and one from Greenfield and Fortville. The proposed projects are quite different and we are not in competition. We are hoping that both Hancock County applicants will be awarded.   
     
   Ms. Short asked about the status of the Façade grants. Ms. Galbraith responded that the letters have not yet been written and she will let the committee know when those letters are ready.  
     
   Ms. Galbraith reported that there will be county trails plan stakeholders meetings at different times throughout the day on April 26 to receive ideas on where new paths should go.
4. **New Business**Ms. Galbraith shared information on last night’s Commissioner Candidate Debate that was held here at Town Hall by Hancock County Leadership in which Staci Starcher is involved. It was very well attended with standing room only. Eighty percent of the questions revolved around the jail, with other questions related to the opioid crisis , the corridor and traffic.
5. **Next Regular Meeting – May 3, 2018**
6. **Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Haney. 2nd by Mr. Hurley.