

Capital Improvements Authority
Minutes of Regular Meeting
May 11, 2009 - 4:00 p.m.

Present: Jim Alderson, Bob Ingle, Mike Edwards, Bob Gerdes, Jack Halferty, Estella Morrison, and Carolyn Schutte.

Absent: None.

Also Present: David Haugland, City Manager, Chad Birdsong, Public Works Director, Devery Hunt, Public Works Administrative Assistant, Marlyn Atkinson, Airport Board Vice Chairman.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Bob Ingle motioned to approve minutes of the April 13, 2009 meeting; Mike Edwards seconded. Motion unanimously approved.
2. **Review – Budget Spreadsheet:** Chad Birdsong, Public Works Director reviewed the Budget Spreadsheet for March 2009. The beginning balance is \$2,069,711.63. Total Revenues equal \$72,526.18. Total expenses of \$36,812.52 leave a Total Ending Balance of \$2,105,425.29. Committed Funds were reviewed leaving a Total Spendable Cash Balance of \$1,225,874.59. Bob Gerdes motioned to approve the March totals; Mike Edwards seconded. Motion unanimously approved. The Authority reviewed the Capital Improvement Sales Tax spreadsheet that includes April 2009 and the Capital Improvements Sales Tax Receipts Net of TIF through March 2009.
3. **Approval – Credit Card Fueling Station for Excelsior Spring Airport:** David Haugland, City Manager briefed the Authority on the request for funds not to exceed \$20,000 for the installation of a credit card fueling station at the Excelsior Springs Airport. Marlyn Atkinson, Airport Board Vice Chairman is in attendance to help explain the request. The City is working with the State to acquire funding to overlay the runway and taxiways. Fuel has not been obtainable at this airport for two years. Only two tenants have left because of no fuel but activity would increase if it's added. The amount requested would be a loan from the Capital Improvements until the Airport receives the revenues. Ron Holmes commented that fuel would be the first step to improvements and would cause people to make the stop into Excelsior Springs. Many improvements are being discussed at the Airport Board Meetings. The City is in discussion with the State regarding the entrance from 10 Highway onto old 10 Highway to straighten it. This will take the curve out of the road, give additional runway space, and increase traffic. This airport can grow if changes are made. The fuel should be at a competitive price. Other airports build hangars and have tenants own the space paying \$600 a year. Fly-Ins and events can be scheduled at the airport again. The space at the airport has room to add eight or ten additional hangars toward the taxiway and room for more on the other side about a half a mile down. New hangars with concrete floors would cost approximately \$35,000 depending on the luxury of the hangar. Bob Ingle motioned to approve the funding; Estella Morrison seconded. The motion unanimously approved. The Airport Board members were commended for the cleaning done inside and out at the airport.
4. **Discussion – Blighted Property Fund:** David Haugland, City Manager discussed the fund with the Authority. Three properties are being reviewed at this time; 300 E. Broadway, 332 E. Broadway, and 309 Isley. As one of the items involved in the Master Plan, 309 Isley would be purchased for demolition. This will change an entrance to the downtown area at 10 Highway

and Thompson and give a designated entrance at Isley Blvd. and Saratoga Street from the East side. In the future, houses that remain on Excelsior Street would like to be purchased to create a new neighborhood and look to open up the area for two-way streets. The purchase of properties on the East Side is necessary to draw tourist traffic. DEP is finishing the work to the church and getting ready to purchase the property at 328 E. Broadway from the City.

5. **Comments:** Questions were answered regarding the renewal of the refuse contract and red light cameras. Authority members expressed their excitement regarding the changes and activity to the airport and would like to see money spent on the East Side of town to improve the downtown. Eventually, they would like to get to the point where people can purchase a townhouse on Excelsior Street or in the downtown area. May 20th is the next Steering Committee Meeting.
6. **Adjourn:** The meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm.

Shannon Stroud
Secretary to the Capital Improvements Authority