

Capital Improvements Authority
Minutes of Regular Meeting
June 10, 2013 - 4:00 p.m.

Present: Gene Deckard, Tray Harkins, John Hill, Bob Ingle, Mayor Ambrose Buckman.

Absent: Estella Morrison and Mike Edwards.

Also Present: David Haugland, City Manager, Chad Birdsong, Public Works Director, John McGovern, Police Chief, Kent Cantrell, Fire Chief, Katie Noyd, Parks and Recreation Director, Larry Murry, Building Official, Shannon Stroud, Authority Secretary.

- 1. Approval of Minutes:** Tray Harkins motioned to approve the May 13, 2013 meeting minutes; Gene Deckard seconded. Bob Ingle objected; the incompleteness of the report was not noted. Tray Harkins amended his motion; Gene Deckard seconded. Motion approved.
- 2. Approval: Blighted Property Fund:** Chad Birdsong, Public Works Director briefed the Authority. The Blighted Property Fund through Capital Improvements was set to acquire and demolish dilapidated properties to make various neighborhoods a more pleasant place to live. The Community Development and Code Enforcement office has acquired several properties; all have been demolished except one. The request is to allocate another \$50,000 to the line item to fund the completed work and future demos. Tray Harkins motioned to approve the allocation of \$50,000 to the Blighted Property Fund; John Hill seconded. Motion approved.
- 3. Update: Fire Station Roof:** Chad Birdsong, Public Works Director and David Haugland, City Manager briefed the Authority. To put a flat roof on the old Fire Station, it will take \$50,000 – \$70,000. The Chamber of Commerce and DEP looked at the site to potentially use it for their offices but funds are not available to make the move. Another potential use is for the Christmas Committee to utilize it for storage and have a dry and lighted work area. No matter what the use, the roof will have to be replaced to prevent further deterioration. The work load for Construction Services is full, so the project will have to go out for bid. The Authority is in favor of replacing the roof.
- 4. Update: Well Evaluation for Hall of Waters Study:** Chad Birdsong, Public Works Director and David Haugland, City Manager briefed the Authority. DNR will be here to inspect. Chad Birdsong received an email and spoke with Mr. Richard Turner, a former resident and retired Environmental Specialist with the MO Department of Health. Mr. Turner still follows Excelsior Springs and offered his experience with the Mineral Water Wells. Keith Bowen is also in attendance to answer questions since he still retains the mineral water bottling rights. There are 4 wells in question. Authority members asked questions and are in favor of bringing back the water. To push forward they need to see details for quality, costs, and clarity in ownership of the water rights.
- 5. Update: Superior Well Wall:** Chad Birdsong, Public Works Director briefed the Authority. Utilizing an engineering company is very expensive. A less expensive option is to put in a wall similar to the one that Parks and Recreation put in at Sunnyside Park. Cost savings will provide funds to spend on cosmetic repairs to the pagoda and installation of stairs to tie the entire project together. It was suggested that local clubs may be interested in helping to complete some of the projects in town such as this one. The Authority is in favor of the new plan for the Superior Well project.

6. **Comments:** None.

7. **Adjourn:** The next meeting is Monday, July 8, 2013. Meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Shannon Stroud/Secretary