

MINUTES
GREEN BAY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Wednesday, January 13, 2016
4:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chair Gary Sikich, Mike Borlee, Eric Genrich, Mike Vogel

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Phil Hilgenberg, Ald. Tim De Wane

OTHERS PRESENT: Kevin Vonck, Julia Upfal, Economic Development Department, Ald. Steuer and Ald. Nennig

1. Roll call.

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Chair, G. Sikich. Roll call was taken as noted above.

2. Approval of agenda.

Motion was made by M. Vogel to approve the agenda and seconded by M. Borlee. Motion carried.

3. Approval of the minutes for the December 9, 2015 meeting.

Motion was made by E. Genrich to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2015 EDA meeting and was seconded by M. Vogel. Motion carried.

ITEMS FOR ACTION:

4. Request by Ald. Thomas De Wane to have staff check for contaminations on the old Tilleman Nursery property on University Avenue that may be eligible for brownfield grants (via December 16 Council Meeting).

Staff recommendation: refer to staff and report back in one (1) month

K. Vonck stated that Ald. De Wane made this request on behalf of a constituent who wrote to him. ED staff will begin the brownfield program and we ask to refer back to staff.

A motion was made by M. Borlee and seconded by E. Genrich to refer to staff and report back in one (1) month. Motion carried.

5. Offer by Spire Group, Ltd., or its assigns to

- a. Purchase 13.15 acres of Parcel 21-171-2; and**

b. Secure an Option to Purchase the remaining acreage of Parcel 21-171-2

Staff recommendation: to be discussed at meeting

K. Vonck stated the address to Parcel 21-171-2 is 1038 Erie Road. This parcel is 28 acres in the I-43 Business Center the southwest corner of Mason Street and Erie Road. ED staff recommended the end of last year to change the zoning of this district from Entertainment to Light Industrial. Spire Group, Ltd. has produced an offer of approximately 13.15 acres of this parcel and they are also interested in an option to purchase on the remaining acreage.

K. Vonck stated that the rezoning was referred to the Planning Commission in December and it went through the first reading at Council in December as well. It is up for the second reading at the next Council meeting in January.

The Authority may convene in closed session pursuant to Sections 19.85(1)(e), Wis. Stats., for purposes of deliberating or negotiating the sale of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, as necessary for competitive or bargaining reasons. The Authority may thereafter reconvene in open session pursuant to Section 19.85(2), Wis. Stats., to report the results of the closed session and consider the balance of the agenda.

The closed session notice was read and a motion was made and seconded to convene in closed session. Motion carried. Roll call was taken – present are Chair Gary Sikich, Mike Borlee, Eric Genrich, Mike Vogel.

A motion was made and seconded to return to open session. Motion carried. Roll call was taken – present are Chair Gary Sikich, Mike Borlee, Eric Genrich, M. Vogel.

A motion was made by M. Vogel and seconded by M. Borlee to authorize staff to negotiate final sale price and planning option fee for 1038 Erie Road with Spire Group, Ltd. Motion carried.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:

6. Director's update

- The City of Green Bay signed documents to title the property from On Broadway, Inc. and will work with DDL regarding the Larsen Green property.

- ED submitted their application for an EPA Brownfields Grant and it was accepted. The decision will be made in April if they receive the grant.
- In February, ED will discuss what was accomplished in 2015 and what the goals and priorities are for 2016.

Motion to adjourn made by M. Borlee and seconded by M. Vogel. Motion carried.