

BATTLE CREEK TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

At a special meeting of the Battle Creek Tax Increment Finance Authority held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at 3:05 p.m. at the Frederick R. Brydges Customs Cargo Center. The following individuals were in attendance: Messrs. Bowman, Christensen, Claywell, Czerney, Stewart, and Mmes. Darner, and White.

Absent were: Mr. Newsome and Ms. Fleury.

Also in attendance were: Messrs. Bobrofsky, Corder, Dearing, Gibson, Karre, Mumford, Sobieralski, Voshell and Mmes. Jones, Tuggle, and Young.

Mr. Stewart called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. Roll call of attendance was recorded.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Claywell moved that the BCTIFA Board of Directors approve the April 17, 2018 minutes as amended. Mr. Christensen supported the motion and it was unanimously approved.

STAFF UPDATES

Mr. Sobieralski reported on the following:

Watkins Road - staff continues working on the land sale of this property. A special meeting may be required prior to the meeting scheduled in July.

Election of Officers – will be held at the next regular meeting in July.

Mr. Corder reported on the following:

Project Railroad – staff is working with a party interested in acquiring an existing building in the industrial park. Should the project develop, the company would be interested in acquiring the rail spur currently owned by the BCTIFA, acquire additional land owned by the City of Battle Creek, and acquire property owned by BCTIFA.

BOARD MEMBER APPRECIATION

Mr. Sobieralski presented gifts and thanked Albert Bobrofsky, Nelson Karre and Betty Tuggle for all of their years of dedicated service on the BCTIFA Board. Mr. Sobieralski recognized Mr. Bobrofsky who served 28 years, Mr. Karre served 37 years, and Ms. Tuggle served 25 years. He acknowledged the work the members have done over the years, which has allowed the staff to continue the work today. BCU is very appreciative of that. The retiring members were honored with a farewell reception.

Mr. Stewart commented he is honored to have served with each and everyone of the members. Knowing each of the members in a different capacity. The members received a standing ovation.

Mr. Tom Davis, General Manager, Prairie Farms Dairy commented that Prairie Farms Dairy is currently under a \$32 million expansion. This would not have been possible without BCU and BCTIFA Board. He thanked and appreciated them for the work they have done. Battle Creek has the most beautiful industrial park in the country.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Karre commented that the BCTIFA meetings are shorter now that he is not a member.

Ms. Tuggle commented that it was an honor and a privilege to have served on the BCTIFA Board. She looks forward to seeing all the great things in the near future.

Mr. Bobrofsky commented that it has been a pleasure serving the City of Battle Creek and wished everyone the best of luck.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.