

**Gogebic Brownfield Redevelopment Authority
Gogebic County, Bessemer, Michigan**

Regular Meeting, January 12, 2016

A meeting of the Gogebic Brownfield Redevelopment Authority was called to order at 9:32 a.m. in the conference room in the Gogebic County Courthouse, City of Bessemer, on the above date, by Alan Baron, Vice Chairman.

Roll Call: Present: Alan Baron
Joe Bonovetz
Rudy Grbavcich
Tom Hampston (arrived 9:35 a.m.)
Dave Neumann
Velda Sclafani
Dan Siirila

Absent: Neil Beckman
Bob Blaskowski

Also Present: Sue Pertile

Minutes: A motion was made by Siirila, supported by Sclafani to approve the minutes of October 13, 2015. Motion unanimously carried.

Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Siirila, supported by Grbavcich to approve the agenda for the January 12, 2016 meeting. Motion carried.

New Business:

1. **Treasurer's Report** presented by Pertile showed a balance of \$20,428.13 as of December 31, 2015. Expenditure of \$75.43 was made to pay for a newspaper advertisement for board members and interest of \$10.31 was earned for the quarter. No winter taxes have been paid so far this year. A motion by Siirila, supported by Grbavcich, to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion unanimously carried.
2. **Welcome:** New board member Tom Hampston was present and introduced. Bob Blaskowski, also a new member, was out of the area. In addition, Dan Siirila has been reappointed for a three year term. John Garske was thanked for his service to the Brownfield Authority.
3. **Meeting Frequency:** Siirila asked if meetings could be changed to every six months unless a special meeting was called by the chairman due to the fact that there were no current Brownfield Authority projects. Grbavcich stated that we should explore how to promote the Brownfield Authority to get the word out and get more projects on board. Grbavcich made a motion that Brownfield Redevelopment Authority meetings be held every six months with special meetings scheduled by the Chairman as needed. Siirila supported the motion and it was approved.
4. **2016 Tax Capturing:** As of the meeting date there were no payments requiring reimbursement. The board discussed that it was approved previously to email and reimburse payments within preapproved project limits without having to meet.

Old Business: None

Other Matters: Pertile briefed the board on the balances left on the three Brownfield Projects. Kauppila's Family Limited has a balance of \$44,247.58, Gogebic Range Bank's balance is \$ 307,253.82, and Sunnyside Development, balance is \$ 98,784.65. She stated that she would email spreadsheets to the board members when reimbursements were made.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Siirila and supported by Grbavcich to adjourn the meeting at 9:45 a.m. The motion carried.

Alan Baron, Vice- Chairman

Velda Sclafani, Secretary