

OTTAWA PORT DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 19, 2014

ROLL CALL

President Keith Conrad called a regular meeting of the Port District to order on September 19, 2014 at 8:00 A.M. with the following board members present: Keith Conrad, William Franklin, Jr., Charles Sheridan, Katie Troccoli, John Stone and Mark Stoudt. Also present were Boyd Palmer, Reed Wilson, and Rich Burton.

MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of August 15, 2014 were presented and approved by unanimous vote following a motion to approve by William Franklin, Jr. and second by Mark Stoudt.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Katie Troccoli presented a financial report, which was approved on motion of William Franklin, Jr., second by Charles Sheridan and unanimous oral vote. Regular bills of Diane Stelken and attorney were approved on Motion of John Stone, second by Charles Sheridan and unanimous oral vote.

MEMBER REPORTS

Thomas Haerberle has spoken to Rook at Sky Dive about finance options available by the Port District which might include the Port District having an ownership interest in or helping finance the airport runway.

William Franklin, Jr. updated the board about last week's meeting for the multi-modal project. The RFPs are going out with a return date of October 1. Discussion followed regarding the upcoming IDOT open house on September 23 from 4-6 p.m. at the District 3 office in Ottawa. The meeting concerns input for use in the planning and development of the Multi-Modal Multi-Year Program.

OLD BUSINESS

Rich Burton presented A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CITY OF OTTAWA BROWNFIELD'S GRANT in response to the recent request of the city for support in its application for an Environmental Protection Agency Brownfield's Grant for the Marquette and Downtown Districts. The Brownfield's Program empowers communities to work together to prevent and clean up sites that may be complicated by the presence of a hazardous contaminant. The resolution was approved on motion of Katie Troccoli, second by William Franklin, Jr. and unanimous oral vote.

Reed Wilson led discussion regarding the Central School waterfront project. Reed advised of the pilot program to determine if coal tax can be remediated without the need for excavation.

Reed reported on the work completed on the industrial park expansion. Roads will soon be graveled and the railroad spur is near to complete.

NEW BUSINESS

Mark Stoudt spoke about moving the November 21st meeting to the Reddick Mansion in light of their recent improvements to the physical facilities. There is a grand opening scheduled for November 9. Atty. Burton will check on any need for notice as to the change in location. Several board members did not express concern if a newspaper publication were required. John Stone made a motion to change the meeting location on November 21 to the Reddick Mansion. A second was made by William Franklin, Jr. and the motion was approved by unanimous oral vote.

ADJOURN

The board adjourned at about 8:35 a.m. upon on motion of Katie Troccoli and second by Charles Sheridan and unanimous oral vote. The next meeting of the port district will be October 17, 2014.