

Ashton Urban Renewal Agency
Meeting Minutes
August 30, 2017
Ashton, Idaho

Chairman Sara Bowersox called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

Attendance

Board Members: Sara Bowersox, Devin Burton, Teddy Stronks, Stacy Dexter, and Mark Chandler

Visitors: Sara Reinke and Michele OMalley

Administrative Support: Katie Cook from ECIPDA

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Devin Burton made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from August 15, 2017. Stacy Dexter seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Consideration of Invoices

Katie Cook presented an invoice to be approved from ICRMP in the amount of \$1201.00. Teddy Stronks made a motion to approve the invoice for \$1201.00. Devin Burton seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Preliminary Budget

A. Public Hearing

Chairman Sara Bowersox opened a public hearing for the FY2018 budget. No members of the community or board member had any public comment or questions on the budget. The public hearing for the Ashton Urban Renewal Agency in regard to the 2018 Budget was declared closed. Mark Chandler made a motion to approve the public hearing resolution 2017-02, Devin Burton seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Project Update and Potential Projects

A. Pocket Park

1. Sculpture

Katie Cook emailed Daniel Borup prior to the meeting with a few questions regarding the sculpture. She asked what his anticipated cost of the stipend proposal would be. Teddy Stronks made a motion for a stipend proposal of \$1,000.00 to both Daniel Borup and Deveren Farley to prepare a mock-up for the community to vote on. Devin Burton seconded the motion and majority passed. Mark Chandler opposed the motion.

Sara Bowersox will ask that they have the mock-ups done by November 15, 2017 so that voting can take place through the holiday gatherings of the

community. At the next meeting the board will appoint one board member to be in charge of collecting the votes and displaying the artwork.

Other Business/Next Meeting Date

Teddy Stronks gave an update on the Brownfield Project that was brought up at the last meeting. He spoke to DEQ and EPA and where the gas station was is the second worst site in the state. It would take over \$1,000,000.00 to clean up that location and there are not funds available from either of those agencies to do that large of a project, but if in the future funds come available, they will contact the agency. They have already put over \$250,000 into the assessments and they can't put in any more at this time. DEQ and EPA said that it will be at least 20 years before something could be done there. If someone had \$250,000 to put towards the clean-up, they may be able to come up with some funding to move the project forward. The county has offered to clean up the site so it is not such an eyesore, but they would need permission from the land owner. Teddy is going to ask Christy from DEQ to provide an official letter to keep on file. She said it is all very well documented with their agency if anyone were to inquire on it again.

The next meeting was set for September 28th at 4:30 pm.

Adjournment

Teddy Stronks made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Devin Burton seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm.

Meeting minutes prepared by Lainee Trost

Minutes accepted by:

Sara Bowersox, Chairman