

**Ashton Urban Renewal Agency  
Meeting Minutes  
September 10, 2015  
Ashton, Idaho**

Mark Chandler called the meeting to order at about 4:30.

Attendance

Mark Chandler, Mayor Teddy Stronks, and Stacy Wynn via telephone

Visitors: N/A

Administrative Support: Katie Cook from ECIPDA

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Mark Chandler made the motion to approve the meeting minutes from August 11, 2015. Stacy Wynn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the minutes were approved.

Consideration of Payment of Invoices

There was a bill for \$1,246 for the ICRMP insurance. Mark Chandler made a motion to pay the invoice as presented. Stacy Wynn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Project Update and Potential Projects

*Pocket Park Project*

There is an accepted offer on the land on Main Street for \$30,000 and \$500 earnest money was deposited. The attorney in Boise reviewed the offer and gave the ok on moving forward with it. They only concern they raised was if there was ever a business on the property that would require an environmental to be done. It was a hotel before and there were some asbestos issues, but they have been resolved. Everyone feels comfortable moving forward with the land as is.

There is a document that the URA is required to send to the seller for a public entity acquiring land. We can close at any time. The agency was concerned about the outstanding water bill from the City of Ashton that has not been paid by the seller at closing. Katie will ask the City for the water bill and will get it to Alliance Title for closing. Katie went over the details of the offer.

It was discussed that Mark Chandler would sign on behalf of the Ashton Urban Renewal Agency. Stacy Wynn indicated that she would be happy to come and sign if a second set of signatures are needed. Katie will check and let the Agency know. It was decided that 1pm on Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup> would be best for signing.

Teddy Stronks motioned to approve the real estate purchase as presented and to give permission to Katie to send the needed letter to the seller via certified mail. Mark Chandler seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

It was discussed that the "Main Street Matters" (Sarah Reinke) group might like to take the lead on the design and execution of the pocket park in the spring.

After the last meeting, Mark has asked Katie to look in to whether one district can borrow from another district. Katie checked with the attorney and it is the Plan that borrowing between the districts is legal, there would just need to be a loan document with an interest rate established. The Dollar Store is the only new commercial tax increment that would come in for the newest district, so it would need to be evaluated to see how long it would take to pay off the district that is being borrowed from before either of them close out. Teddy wants to have an idea of what the cost would be from the attorney to set up those loan documents. It was decided to table the issue for now and it will be discussed in the spring.

### New Board Members

Mayor Stronks has talked to and mailed Sherri (Ros) a letter, with no real response from her. Mark will talk to her at work tomorrow and Stacy will also give her a call and then they will get in touch with Mayor Stronks so he can appoint her.

### 2016 Budget Approval

Mark Chandler read the public hearing document for the 2016 Budget approval. There were no members of the public present and the board members had no questions from the preliminary budget was approved. Mark also read Resolution 2015-2 to the board for approval.

Mark Chandler did a roll call for the public hearing. Stacy Wynn, I; Teddy Stronks, I; Mark Chandler, I. Mark Chandler motioned to accept the 2016 budget as presented and to approve Resolution 2015-2. Stacy Wynn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

### Other Business and Set Next Meeting Date

#### *Next Meeting Date*

It was decided that a date would not be set for the next meeting. The board felt that they may not need to meet until 2016.

### Adjournment

Mark Chandler made a motion to adjourn. Stacy Wynn seconded and the meeting was adjourned.

Meeting minutes prepared by Katie Cook

Minutes accepted by:

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Mark Chandler, Chairman