



Minutes
June 14, 2016

A special meeting of the St. Joseph Downtown Community Improvement District board of directors was held on Tuesday, June 14, 2016 from 8:31am until 9:18am in the Allied Arts Council conference room, 128 S. 8th Street. Directors present were: John Spencer, Teresa Fankhauser, Bobbi Jo Hughes, Pat Dillon, Royce Balak, Lee Sawyer, Ron Barbosa and Rhabecca Boerkircher. Also present was: Lance Taylor, Dan Hausman and Patt Lilly.

Call to Order: Chairman, John Spencer called the meeting to order at 8:31am.

Partnership Contract: Royce Balak gave the board an update on the status of the funding for the organization. There will be a reduction of funding because of Hardees closing and the News-Press moving their billing operations out of the district. Consolidated Electric is still paying the tax. Royce also said that resources will be needed if there is an agreement on a suitable location for the Open Door Food Kitchen. The CID could participate by buying their existing building. Dan Hausman said that the county will probably be reducing their contribution to the Partnership this year as well. He said they they are talking about \$7,500 but will let them know when they have made a final decision. John Spencer suggested that they make a reduction in the amount or time period. Pat Dillon made a motion to fund the Downtown Partnership for the full amount for another six months. Lee Sawyer seconded the motion and the board voted in favor (7-0). Lance Taylor commented that he doesn't want to see resources cut but rather would like to see more done for downtown. Patt Lilly stated that we all need to work together.

Other Business: Royce Balak made a motion to transfer \$3,000 to the concessions account to cover expenses. John Spencer seconded the motion and the board voted in favor (7-0).

Think Big: Patt Lilly told the board about an initiative to create co-working space similar to the Think Big space in Kansas City. He would like to see the project be located downtown. The committee working on the project would like to commission

the "Think Big" group to do a study to see if the concept would work in this market. The cost is \$15,000. The Chamber is funding \$5,000 and they have two other groups that are contributing \$2,500 each. Royce Balak made a motion to contribute \$5,000 to help fund the study. Bobbi Jo Hughes seconded the motion and the board voted in favor (7-0).

Adjourn: Royce Balak made a motion to adjourn at 9:18am. John Spencer seconded the motion and the board voted in favor (7-0).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rhabecca Boerkircher". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Rhabecca Boerkircher
Executive Director