

**MINUTES**  
**HERMITAGE COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**  
**MARCH 6, 2008**

The Hermitage Community & Economic Development Commission held a regular meeting March 6, 2008 at the Hermitage Municipal Building, Conference Room #302, Hermitage, PA.

HCEDC Members Attending: Rex Knisley  
George Kraynak  
John Holliday  
Robert Cucitrone  
Meg Grober  
Anthony Pagliaroli

HCEDC Members Absent: Angela Palumbo

HCEDC Commissioner Representative: William Moder

Others in Attendance: Gary Hinkson, City of Hermitage  
Lynn Brest, City of Hermitage  
Jeremy Coxe, City of Hermitage

**1) GENERAL**

A. Rex Knisley called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

**CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

B. The minutes were reviewed from the February 7, 2008 Regular Meeting, John Holliday moved to accept the minutes for February. George Kraynak seconded the motion. All members approved.

**2) BUSINESS MEETING**

**A. Community & Economic Development and RLF Reports – January**

The Revolving Loan Fund Repayment Reports were reviewed for January. All payments were current. The RLF program balance was \$137,479.63. Total available for loans based on projected repayments through the end of the year was \$223,903.95. The Landscape and Façade Improvement program balance was \$179,945.89. The total available for loans based on projected repayments through the end of the year was \$209,628.40.

John Holliday moved to accept the RLF reports. Bob Cucitrone seconded the motion. All members approved.

**B. Landscape & Façade RLF Request**

Deborah Finamore of the Sharon Dairy Queen has requested \$20,000 from the Landscape & Façade Program for new seating and a new sign for the business. The total project cost is \$27,866 with \$7,866 company equity. The interest rate would be

3% for a term of five years. A personal guarantee would be required and the City would have a second lien position on the real estate.

John Holiday moved to approve the loan request from Deborah Finamore for \$20,000. Bob Cucitrone seconded the motion. All members approved.

**C. Technology Campus Roadway Name**

Gary Hinkson stated that at the February 27, 2008 Board of Commissioners meeting the Board approved the LindenPointe Subdivision Replat of Lot 19A into Lots 19 A-1 & 19D (EDA Project ). The approved plan includes the extension of a public street from Innovation Way east along the north boundary of Lots 19A-1 & 19D and asked the HCEDC for a recommendation for a name for the new roadway.

The HCEDC members discussed several possible names for the new roadway; Technology Drive, Prosperity Place, Technology Trail, Solutions Drive, and Strategy Street. After discussion the HCEDC recommended Prosperity Place for the Tech Campus Roadway name to the Board of Commissioners.

**D. DCNR 2008 Grant Cycle**

Jeremy Coxe stated that DCNR (Department of Conservation & Natural Resources) has a 2008 Community Conservation Partnerships Program Grants Application Cycle available for all project types – planning and technical assistance, acquisition, and development projects. The application deadline is April 25, 2008.

Gary Hinkson stated that the Conservation Program Grant could be used for further development of a facility for Phase II of the City's Athletic Fields Complex Project.

John Holliday made a motion to recommend to the Board of Commissioners the submission of the Conservation Program Grant application for Phase II of the South Darby Road project. George Kraynak seconded the recommendation. All members approved.

**3) Other Business**

Gary Hinkson stated that the Consultant who performed the initial site suitability study of the Stull & Hanson properties study recommended development of the Stull property to be one that highlights the natural features on the site and its heritage as a farm. Gary also noted that a committee of city staff and others from the county who has worked in environmental organizations is being formed. The initial thoughts are to establish a place of environmental learning, forestry, organic agriculture center uses and to recognize and preserve the agricultural heritage of the property.

**4) Adjournment**

John Holliday moved to adjourn the meeting. George Kraynak seconded the motion. All members approved and the meeting adjourned at 7:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynn W. Brest  
Recording Secretary

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