

Community Redevelopment Authority (CRA)

Thirty-Eighth Meeting

Wednesday, December 21, 2016 – 4:00 P.M.

Proceedings:

The CRA meeting was called to order at 3:58 p.m. with Chairman Crary presiding. Roll was called: Donna Crary, Chariman; Mike McGowan, CRA Member; Tim Abell, CRA Member; John Shay, Legal Associate; and Leigha Steele, Economic Development Coordinator present.

- Motion to approve CRA meeting minutes of November 16th Mike McGowan motioned, Tim Abell seconded. Chairman Crary abstained from voting, she did not attend the November 16th meeting. Moving the approval of the minutes to next meeting.

New Business:

- 518-520 Main Street parking lot, Public Works has put in new steps through the woods to go along with the benches.
- The 41 B Street building has been taken down.
- Chairman Crary has signed the realtor agreement for the comedy club property with Alan Cornell for 6 months.
- Chairman Crary has not heard back from the owners of C Street Flats, but she is meeting with the Mayor tomorrow, the owners will probably visit the city soon.
- BGE slowed down the demolition of 41 B Street.
- Chairman Crary asked to spread the word about the comedy club property to any commercial realtors that anyone knows.
- Rob in Public Works told Chairman Crary that 2 or 3 more paving contracts are coming up, and the millings will be dumped on the comedy club lot.
- Discussed the possibility of selling the comedy club property and the old Pal Jack's building as a packaged deal, the realtor Alan Cornell will talk to the building's owner and discuss the idea with potential buyers.
- Chairman Crary met with a commercial realtor, he quoted \$175 per square foot for commercial office space in Laurel.
- Discussed the preference of having a council representative as a CRA member.
- Discussed getting a phone for conference calls when all members are not able to physically be at the meeting, and allowing electronic votes by phone.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

The CRA Meeting was adjourned at 4:17 p.m.