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The Redevelopment Authority of Somerset County Board of Directors held their regular meeting on May 21, 2025, at 3:00 PM, in the Commissioner's Board Meeting Room located on the 5th floor at 300 North Center Avenue, Somerset, Pennsylvania 15501.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Gregory S. Osikowicz – Chairperson Gary L. Chalk – Vice-Chairperson Austin Mostoller – Treasurer Julie Kreger – Assistant Secretary/Treasurer

Suzann Lehmier, Esquire - Solicitor

Steven R. Spochart – Executive Director Patricia A. Adamczyk – Deputy Executive Director

Mr. Osikowicz, Chairperson, called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance at 3:05 P.M.

Mr. Osikowicz asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of January 29, 2025, minutes. Mr. Mostoller made the motion, Mr. Chalk seconded, and the motion carried. Mr. Osikowicz asked if there were any corrections, additions, or deletions to the January 29, 2025, board minutes. As there were none, Mr. Mostoller made a motion to approve of the minutes as presented. Mr. Chalk made the second, and it was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment currently.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Spochart presented his report, as contained in the Board's packet. There were no items requiring action at this time.

OLD Business

At this time, I presented the Community Facilities Report. Items requiring action are as follows:

300 N. Center Avenue, Suite 520, Somerset, PA 15501 (814) 443-2780 (814) 445-4570 Fax 1-800-847-1878 1-800-654-5984 (TDD)

Ursina Borough – UV Light/Sewer Treatment Plant Improvements – Somerset County's 2020, 2021 and 2022 Entitlement CDBG Funds. Motions to ratify the purchase of equipment for the UV Light Project at the Sewer Treatment Plant were made as follows:

UV System - Motion to ratify purchase of this system from Kappe Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$25,500.00 was made by Ms. Kreger, seconded by Mr. Chalk and the motion carried.

Vault for UV Unit – Mr. Mostoller made a motion to ratify the purchase of the vault from A.C. Miller, in the amount of \$21,767.00. This motion was seconded by Ms. Kreger and the motion passed unanimously.

Remote Monitoring System – A motion to ratify the purchase of this system from John P. Place, in the amount of \$11,323.00 was made by Mr. Chalk, seconded by Mr. Mostoller, and carried.

Stairs – Motion to ratify the purchase of the stairs from Morocco Welding, LLC, in the amount of \$6,150.00 was made by Ms. Kreger, seconded by Mr. Mostoller, and carried.

A motion to ratify the award of the construction contract to Laurel Highlands Excavating, in the amount of \$62,542.44, for the installation of the above equipment, and for additional work at the Sewer Treatment Plant, was made by Mr. Mostoller with the second from Mr. Chalk. This motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

At this time, Mr. Spochart discussed the demolition property located at 528 E. Main Street, Somerset with the Board and advised that we received two (2) expressions of interest to purchase this property. One for \$7,500.00 from Pastor Bill Dodson of the Somerset Community Training and Outreach Center, and one from Judy and Ron Pyle, in the amount of \$11,000.00. After further discussion regarding this property, Mr. Spochart asked for Board approval to sell this property, upon completion of the demolition to Judy and Ron Pyle for \$11,000.00. Mr. Mostoller made this motion and Mr. Chalk seconded the motion. This motion passed unanimously.

I informed the Board that due to some confusion regarding my role in being able to speak to First Commonwealth Bank regarding unnecessary fees or inquiries about our three (3) accounts, initially we were told that I would have to be added as an authorized user and signer on all the accounts before they could speak to me. Years ago, Steve provided the bank with a letter giving me permission to speak to them regarding our accounts, so we were uncertain why this suddenly changed. In speaking to the new Bank Manager at the Windber office, I was informed that the previous letter is sufficient for me to discuss our accounts with the tellers/manager, and I do not have to be added as an authorized user/signer on these accounts to be able to speak to them; therefore, no action is required by the Board at this time.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

INVOICES

Mr. Mostoller made a motion to ratify approval of the invoices and contractor payments as presented for February 2025. Mr. Chalk seconded, and the motion carried.

Ms. Kreger a motion to ratify payment of the invoices and contractor payments as presented for March 2025. Mr. Mostoller seconded this motion, and it carried.

Mr. Chalk made a motion to ratify paying the invoices and contractor payments as presented for April 2025. Ms. Kreger seconded this motion, and it carried.

Mr. Chalk made a motion to approve payment of the invoices and contractor payments as presented for May 2025. Mr. Mostoller seconded this motion, and it carried.

TRAVEL

At this time, Ms. Kreger made a motion to ratify payment of the travel expenses for April 2025, in the amount of \$590.58. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mostoller and unanimously approved.

Mr. Mostoller made a motion to pay the travel expenses, in the amount of \$335.30, for May 2025. Ms. Kreger seconded, and this motion passed.

With no other business to come before the Board at this time, Mr. Mostoller made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:10 P.M. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chalk and carried.

The next regular meeting of the Redevelopment Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for July 16, 2025, in the Commissioner's Board Room.

Respectfully submitted,

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Patricia A. Adamczyk

Deputy Executive Director

The above minutes were approved at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors held.

________ at which a quorum was present.

Nicholas S. Costantino, Secretary