# Northeast Indiana Regional Development Authority (RDA) Meeting Minutes 11/17/15

The meeting was held at 3:00PM in the offices of the Northeast Indiana Regional Partnership at 200 East Main Street, Suite 910.

### **Attendance**

Brad Bishop, Andrew Briggs, Gene Donaghy, Bob Marshall, Jeff Turner

#### Call to Order and Introductions

Jeff Turner

Jeff Turner welcomed everyone to the meeting of the Northeast Indiana RDA development board.

Minutes Jeff Turner

Jeff Turner asked for a motion to adopt the minutes from the October meeting. **Gene Donaghy motioned, Bob Marshall seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved.** 

RFP for Legal Services Jeff Turner

Bob Marshall and Jeff Turner interviewed four law firms and will continue discussions with two of the firms. They will present a recommendation at the December meeting.

## **RDA Application Guidelines & Process**

Alan Tio

Board members discussed the need to have an application process in place. A suggestion was made to meet with contacts from the Northwest Indiana RDA. Board members would also like to meet with contacts from the Indiana Economic Development Corporation. Alan Tio will coordinate discussions with the Northwest Indiana RDA and the IEDC.

Other Business Alan Tio

Update on IEDC Strategic Review Committee – Board members reviewed an op-ed by Ball State University economist Mike Hicks, in which Hicks described the Northeast Indiana proposal as one of the top 2-3 under consideration. It is possible that the Strategic Review Committee will meet again before the final meeting on December 15<sup>th</sup>. Bob Marshall asked if minutes from past committee meetings were available. Alan Tio will investigate whether transcripts from past committee meetings are available.

Report on Insurance policies—The development board will be required to have D&O coverage. Andrew Briggs and Alan Tio are working on an application for the D&O policy. Once the law firm is selected, the application will be reviewed by our legal counsel

## **December Meeting**

The chairman suggested delaying the December meeting from the 15<sup>th</sup> to the 22<sup>nd</sup> at 3:00PM. **Andrew Briggs made the motion. Bob Marshall seconded the motion and there was unanimous approval.** 

**Adjournment** Jeff Turner

With no further business to discuss, Brad Bishop motioned to adjourn the meeting. Gene Donaghy seconded the motion and there was unanimous approval. The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 PM.

Submitted: Gene Donaghy, Secretary