

COMMISSIONERS' SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

June 2, 2015 - 9:00 a.m.

Those present were:
Chairman, Commissioner Gary Weaver
Commissioner Terry Thompson
Commissioner Ken Schutte

Executive Director, Doyle Palmer Admin Assistant, Angela Davis

Chairman Kenny Schutte called the meeting to order.

D. Palmer reported that the city had applied for a \$750,000 Block Grant for the Soccer Complex project to bring the sewer through the property. He also reported that Travis Goddard from the city said that most of the project can be funded through grants. Once we have heard on whether the Block Grant is approved, we will apply for more for the remaining infrastructure.

A discussion was held regarding the maintenance of the soccer complex once it is complete. It was decided to deed the soccer complex portion of the project to the city once it is completed.

RV Park will go in the seven acres recently purchased by the Port and can be completed in different phases.

Freeman lease was discussed. The Commissioners asked that a certified letter be sent to Freemans letting them know that the project has been placed on hold, and they are able to farm for the rest of the year. Letter also needs to let them know we hope to know more information by November in order to let them know to plan for 2016.

The underground drains were discussed. The drains need to be completed before the road can be put in. A discussion was held again regarding engineers. After the Commissioners moved to hire Reidesel as the engineer for the project, D. Palmer learned from Reidesel that they cannot use the previous work completed by Meiers as originally planned.

G. Weaver made a motion that since the previous work completed by Meiers cannot be used Reidesel, that the Port hires Meier for the Othello Business Park. The tasks which were to be completed by Reidesel which were approved by the Board will be cancelled. The motion was second by T. Thompson and approved.

A topography map and survey needs to be done right away to assist in planning the project. D. Palmer will contact Meiers to get this completed.

In order to free cash for the Othello Business Park, D. Palmer researched funding possibilities for the part of the incubator building. Of the loans he researched, the one with the best rate was thru Columbia Bank. The loan can be up to 65% of the value of the building.

T. Thompson made a motion to finance \$350,000 of the incubator building thru Columbia Bank in order to free cash for the Othello Business Park.

There being no further business K. Schutte adjourned the meeting.

Gary Weaver

Kenny Schutte

Terry Thompson

Attest: Angela Davis, Clerk