

Whitewater University Technology Park Board
Cravath Lakefront Conference Room,
Whitewater Municipal Building, 312 W Whitewater Street
Minutes for May 4, 2009

1. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 AM by President Telfer. Members present: Ronald Gayhart, Peter Zaballos, John Chenoweth, Patrick Singer, Kevin Brunner and Richard Telfer. Absent: Jeff Knight. Others present: Mary Nimm, Jim Caldwell, Denise Ehlen and Gail MacAskill-Towers (Wisconsin Department of Commerce), Mike Vanden Bosch (WCEDA).

2. Adjournment to closed session at approximately 10:35 a.m. to reconvene at approximately 11:15 p.m. per Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1)(e), deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

It was moved by Zaballos and seconded by Gayhart to adjourn to closed executive session.. Ayes: Gayhart, Zaballos, Chenoweth, Singer, Brunner, Telfer. Noes: None. Absent: Knight. The meeting was adjourned to closed session at approximately 10:35 a.m. During the closed session the potential acquisition of the Hoffman property for the Whitewater Technology Park was discussed.

It was then moved by Gayhart and seconded by Zaballos to reconvene to open session. Ayes: Gayhart, Zaballos, Chenoweth, Singer, Brunner, Telfer. Noes: None. Absent: Knight. The meeting was reconvened to open session at approximately 11:15 a.m.

3. Tech Park Property Acquisition

It was moved by Gayhart and seconded by Singer that the Whitewater/University Technology Park Board focus its efforts on developing the existing business park rather than the Hoffman property located on the southwest side of the city. Ayes: Gayhart, Zaballos, Chenoweth, Singer, Brunner, Telfer. Noes: None. Absent: Knight.

4. Review on EDA Grant

Gail MacAskill Towers of the Wisconsin Department of Commerce gave a brief report to the Board on specifics pertaining to the EDA Grant.

5. Formation of Architectural Services Review Committee

Gayhart, Chenoweth, Knight and Brunner were appointed by the board to interview architectural firms for the Innovation Center building. The committee will report back to the full board with regard to what firm is recommended to move forward with the schematic design and planning for this building.

6. Updates from Working Groups

a. Business Plan

Comments on the draft business plan were requested to be sent to Mike Vanden Bosch by the end of the week.

b. Competencies

No report.

c. Land

Brunner indicated that now that the decision has been made to focus on the existing business park that City staff will produce maps of this area that will include the Moraine View Park as part of the actual Technology Park. In addition, staff will work with consultants from Strand and Associates to further identify costs associated with the development of this approximate 130 acre parcel of land.

d. Infrastructure

No report other than that City staff is working with Strand and Associates on updated infrastructure improvement needs that will be incorporated in an EDA grant proposal.

e. Building

No report.

f. Occupancy

No report.

g. Financing

No report.

h. Grants

No report.

i. Fiber.

No report.

7. Adjournment

It was then moved by Singer and seconded by Gayhart to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m. The next meeting of the Whitewater/University Technology Park Board of Directors will take place on Friday, May 29, 2009 in Room 422 Hyer Hall, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Brunner, Secretary