

CITY OF MADISON Industrial Development Board

December 5, 2016 Meeting - Minutes

- I. **Call to Order / Agenda Approval** – A quorum being present, Chairman Thorpe called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. The agenda was accepted as presented.
- II. **Public Comments** – There were no public comments.
- III. **Roll Call:**
Board Members Present: Chairman Taron Thorpe; Bobby DeNeeffe, David Barrett; David Cochran; and Laurel Bailey.
a) **Additional Attendees:** Mary Beth Broeren, Director of Planning and Economic Development; Diane Sterling, Senior Planner; Ross Ivey, Assistant Planner.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes**
a) Approval of the November 7, 2016 minutes. Mr. DeNeeffe moved to approve and Mr. Cochran seconded. **Motion Carried.**
- V. **Review of Financial Report** – Mr. Cochran presented the Financial Report. He stated that the report has not changed since the November meeting. Mr. Cochran also mentioned that he has started preparing a budget for 2017 including: website maintenance, legal services, conferences, and other expenses.
- VI. **Old Business:** There was no old business to discuss.
- VII. **New Business:**
a) **2017 Planning – Update on Business Parks Master Plan** – Diane Sterling discussed the criteria for the RFP for the Business Parks Master Plan. She stated that some of the design criteria included in the RFP were: connectivity, trails, transportation, signage, way finding, etc. She also mentioned that one of the main objectives of the plan was to strengthen the existing business parks and make them better integrated with one another. The board discussed the visual appearance of Madison Boulevard and the severe need for improvements. They also discussed some of the Key Development Areas including some of the key stakeholders to benefit from the project. Overall, there was positive feedback from the board and they felt the project was warranted and long overdue.
- VIII. **Other Business –**
a) Mary Beth Broeren informed the board of an existing company in town that is experiencing financial difficulties and may need IDB assistance in the future.
b) David Cochran gave an update from the Huntsville IDB meeting and discussed annexations and the legalities involved.
- VIII. **Upcoming Events –**
a) The City of Madison State of the City Address presented by Mayor Finley – January 27, 2017

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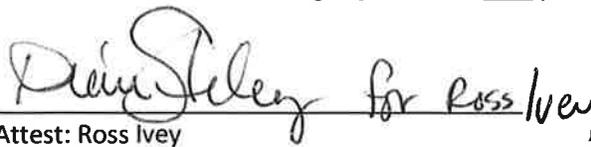
X. Closing Comments of Board Members

a) Next Meeting – February 6, 2017

IX. Adjournment. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.



Taron Thorpe, Chairman
City of Madison Industrial Board



Attest: Ross Ivey