

CITY OF GALESBURG
BUSINESS DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT & REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Economic Development Department

DATE: Wednesday, November 19, 2008

TO: Bob Fulton, Chair & Members of the
Business District Development and Redevelopment Commission

FROM: Cesar J. Suarez, Economic Development Director

SUBJECT: BDDRC Meeting

A meeting of the Business District Development and Redevelopment Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, November 26, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. in the Erickson Conference Room of the Galesburg City Hall.

A G E N D A

1. Call to Order
2. Minutes of previous meeting - August 27, 2008 (attached)
3. Petitions & Communications
4. Committee/Staff Reports
 - A. Marketing Committee –
 1. Partnership Update
 2. FTZ Application
 3. IDOT Intermodal/Transmodal Study
 - B. Development Committee -
5. Old Business
6. New Business
7. Executive Session - For the purpose of discussing (5ILCS120 2(C) 6) Leasing Property
8. Adjourn

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City of Galesburg
BUSINESS DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT & REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING
August 27, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Fulton at 8:30 a.m. A quorum was present. **Present were 8:** Bliss, Cooper, Fulton, Kowalski, Polillo, Ramos, Schmidt, and Smith. **Absent were 4:** Alcorn, Blake, Lummis, and Wilcox. **Others present were:** Bragg, Utsinger, Johnson, and Suarez.

Minutes:

The minutes of July 23, 2008 were approved unanimously after a first by Smith and second by Polillo.

Marketing Committee

Mangieri, Cooper, and Bragg met with Roger Sandstrum representing Mercantile. It was shared that our main contact person at Centerpoint, Jim Ford, was not longer with the company. The Marketing Committee has made contact with Steve Edelson to regroup and schedule a meeting.

Foreign Trade Sub-Zone

Utsinger reported that GREDA's submittal of the City's FTSub-Zone application to Washington is scheduled for review September 15th. It was believed Rantoul had submitted its application in full and that a joint application with Rantoul would make the approval of sub-zones more favorable. Utsinger also shared that Truninger, the Director of FTZ114, was no longer working there and Sallie Hanley was now administering the applications. Schmidt expressed concerns that the process has been moving too slow and although GREDA staff had done all they could, it appears the process could be sped up by involving our political representatives. It was agreed to seek the advice of our consultant, Miller & Co., about engaging our political representatives to move the application forward. Utsinger would check into this.

Ordinance of BDDRC - Suarez mentioned he was still working on drafting an Ordinance to reflect and clarify the Commission's role and authority to sell land.

Executive Session

A motion was made to go into executive session to discuss the pricing of land at LPG.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:13 am

Cesar J. Suarez, Economic Development Director