

- I. **Call to Order:** The RDA Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. CST on Thursday, December 13, 2018 with Chairman Donald P. Fesko presiding.
- II. **Roll Call:** Present: Chairman Donald P. Fesko, Bill Joiner, Christopher Campbell, Milton Reed, Randy Palmateer, Thomas Golab and Africa Tarver. Seven members were present constituting a quorum.
- III. **General Public Comment:** *None*
- IV. **Consent Agenda:** R. Palmateer motioned to approve the consent agenda with a second by C. Campbell. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

1. **Minutes:** Board Meeting of October 11, 2018
2. **Reports:** MWBE Quarterly Expenditure Compliance (3rd QTR 2018)
3. **Reports:** Buy Indiana Quarterly Report (3rd QTR 2018)
4. **Reports:** Zip Code Quarterly Report (3rd QTR 2018)
5. **Compliance Exemption Request:** NICTD Double Track Preliminary Engineering

V. **Actions on Recommendations from Fiscal Task Force**

- i. **Budget:** Proposed 2019 Administrative Budget: D. Fesko reported there is a small increase in the 2019 budget compared to the 2018 budget.

C. Campbell motioned to approve the 2019 Administrative budget with a second by R. Palmateer. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

- ii. **Budget:** Proposed 2019 Project Planning and Due Diligence Budget:

M. Reed motioned to approve the 2019 Project Planning and Due Diligence budget with a second by C. Campbell. All were in favor and the motion was approved.

VI. **Project Status Review:**

a. **Surface Transportation:**

- i. **Update:** B. Hanna reported that the RDA and NICTD continue their efforts on the projects with the FTA on Westlake and look forward to a ratings in the spring.

b. **Expansion of the Gary Chicago Airport:**

- i. **Update:** *None*

c. **Shoreline Redevelopment:**

i. **Update:** *None*

d. **RDA Operations:**

i. **Update:** *None*

VII. **Unfinished Business:**

i. **Update:** *None*

VIII. **New Business:**

i. **Update:** *None*

IX. **2019 Board Planning Calendar:** The quarterly Board structure is reflected in the planning calendar.

X. **General Public Comment:** D. Olsen announced his retirement and thanked the RDA Board for all the work they have done thus far and wished them all the best of luck for the future.

J. O’Conner voiced her concern about the last TDD meeting stating, “Who is actually doing the parcel identifications that make up the TDD?” J. O’Conner also addressed an article reported in the Times that the deadlines for the TDD’s are not dependent on any FTA approval and asked the Board, “what if there is no FTA approval?” and what will happen if it’s significantly delayed.

B. Hanna addressed J. O’Conner’s concerns.

XI. **Adjournment:** Without further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Amy L Jakubin