

TOWN OF PORTER
Redevelopment Commission
303 Franklin Street
November 25, 2025

The Town of Porter Redevelopment Commission meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: President Allison Hultmen, Vice-President William Lopez, Jamie Hogan, Russ Erwin, and Peter Sawochka-Dalton

Absent: Karen Spanier and Beth Mehling

Also Present: Director of Development Michael Barry, Corinne Peffers, Clerk Treasurer, and Tammie Sufana for Spanier

Approval of Minutes

Peter Sawochka-Dalton made the motion to approve October 28, 2025 meeting minutes, with Jamie Hogan making the second.

Motion carried 5-0.

Consideration of Claims

William Lopez made a motion to approve claims for November as presented, with Jamie Hogan making the second.

Motion carried 5-0.

Audience Participation

Reports

Building Commissioner/Director of Development

Michael Barry mentions the agreement for I-94 is still being reviewed. He has an update on Mnoke Prairie from NPS, Floodplain Statement of Findings is complete and should have final Investment Review Board approvals next week. Finding No Significant Impacts document is drafted and out for review. NPS is pushing for it to be signed by December 12. Everyone must sign Special Use Permit before construction starts. The Partnership and Construction Agreement is now the critical issue. He also mentions the preliminary schedule the first Advertisement- January 5, second Advertisement- January 12, Pre-Bid Meeting January 14, Bid Opening – January 22, Award Recommendation January 27th at RDC meeting. He mentions that with the Next Level Trail Grant they give the money up front and we don't have to wait for reimbursement.

Peter Sawochka-Dalton asks Michael Barry where are we at with the Brickyard property? Michael Barry mentions he needs more soil borings and send them to IDEM, he recommends right now holding off on it. Peter Sawochka-Dalton mentions ESC is discussing Brown Fields and asked about it. Michael Barry states IDEM doesn't consider it a highly contaminated property.

Jamie Hogan asks the status on Johnson Inn, Michael Barry states still in probate and they are trying to work on agreement to get out of probate between buyer and seller.

Allison Hultman asks when the Town would get involved, Michael Barry states it is a big expense we won't get back; we don't want to get involved.

Allison Hultman asks about Waverly & 20 property, stating that we have two appraisals do we want to get a third or have executive session to see what we want to do. Makes more sense to have an executive session.

Old Business/New Business

RDC 2026 Spending Plan-Allison Hultman asks Corinne Peffers to go over the spending plan.

Russ Erwin made a motion to approve the 2026 Spending Plan, with Peter Sawochka-Dalton making second. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business

Commission Comments

Russ Erwin asks if we will be changing meeting date for next month. After discussion meeting date will stay the same.

Adjournment

Jamie Hogan made the motion to adjourn.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-2.9, this meeting was livestreamed to youtube.com/porterindiana. A recording of the livestream will remain publicly available for a minimum of ninety (90) days following the date of the meeting. Meeting agendas, minutes, and any memoranda, may be viewed at townofporter.in.gov.

Approved the 27th day of January, 2026.

REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF PORTER

/s/ Allison Hultman, President

/s/ Russ Erwin, Secretary

/s/ Peter Sawochka-Dalton, Member

ATTEST: /s/ Karen Spanier, Recording Secretary