

TOWN OF PORTER
Redevelopment Commission
303 Franklin Street
June 2, 2026

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

Present: President Russ Erwin, Vice President Peter Sawochka-Dalton, Allison Hultman, and Laura Madigan.

Absent: Jamie Hogan and Beth Mehling

Also Present: Director of Development Michael Barry, Secretary Karen Spanier, Christopher Willoughby Attorney, and Glenn Peterson SEH Consultant

Approval of Minutes

Laura Madigan made the motion to approve the April 28, 2026 meeting minutes, with Peter Sawochka-Dalton making the second.

Motion passed 4-0.

Peter Sawochka-Dalton made the motion to approve May 18, 2026 meeting minutes, with Laura Madigan making the second.

Motion passed 4-0.

Laura Madigan made the motion to approve May 26, 2026 meeting minutes, Peter Sawochka-Dalton making the second.

Motion passed 4-0.

Consideration of Claims

Allison Hultman made a motion to approve the May claims. Peter Sawochka-Dalton made the second.

Motion passed 4-0.

Audience Participation

None

Reports

Director of Development Michael Barry mentions 32,000.00 pounds of stone next week will be put down on the Marquette Greenway Trail. Also, the Groundbreaking Ceremony will be Friday, June 5th at 10 a.m. off Howe Rd Learning Center parking lot.

Old Business/New Business

None

New Business

TIF Capture Determination

Russ Erwin announced that the Redevelopment Commission has determined there is no excess assessment to be allocated and is looking for a motion that 100% be captured for 2027.

Allison Hultman made the motion to capture 100% of the TIF assessment, with Laura Madigan making the second.

Motion passed 4-0.

Marquette Greenway Trail Force Account Change Order #1-

Michael Barry mentioned we talked about a little at last meeting, on crossing BP pipeline, and using lightweight fill to get across pipeline.

This is going to be called BP Pipeline Force Account with a not to exceed amount of \$92,070 until we get the actual change order.

When we actually do the work and get the change order it will probably be half of that amount.

They cannot proceed without the NTE. Peter Sawochka-Dalton asks if the pipe is not deep enough.

Michael Barry comments yes. Glenn Peterson explains why we are doing the not to NTE, the unit cost is super high, and they are taking that cost as the NTE, and the actual quantity will be much less.

Michael Barry states we are still under grant amount.

Peter Sawochka-Dalton made a motion to approve the not to exceed amount of \$92,070 for BP Pipeline Force Account Change Order #1, with Allison Hultman making the second.

Motion passed 4-0.

Resolution PRC #2026-02 Acquisition of Property

Russ Erwin states this resolution is to purchase property at 15 E U.S. HWY 20, Porter, IN., and is an amendment to original Resolution PRC#2026-01.

Laura Madigan made a motion to approve Resolution PRC #2026-02, with Allison Hultman making the second.

Roll call Vote:

Laura Madigan-Yes Allison Hultman – Yes

Russ Erwin -Yes Peter Sawochka-Dalton-Yes

Motion passed 4-0.

Resolution PRC #2026-03 to Amend Spending Plan

Russ Erwin explains this Resolution is to amend the original Spending Plan to add an additional \$85,000 for fire/police expenses for a grand total of \$130,000.

Peter Sawochka-Dalton asks a question about changes and Attorney Willoughby explains the changes.

Laura Madigan made a motion to approve Resolution PRC #2026-03 to Amend Spending Plan, with Peter Sawochka-Dalton made second.

Roll call Vote:

Lauran Madigan-yes Allison Hultman-yes

Russ Erwin-yes Peter Sawochka-Dalton

Motion passed 4-0 .

Fire Department Equipment-Fire

Fire Chief Jay Craig commented that the Seasonal Part-Time staffing has been going on for a week now and they have been very busy.

The main reason he is here is that they are looking to replacement equipment that is 26 years old.

He states that all equipment has aged out, and it is not just for a specific fire truck.

He is asking the RDC to purchase some equipment for the Fire Department.

Fire Chief Craig goes over the following equipment they are asking for:

Genesis Extrication Equipment \$49,682.50

Supervac Positive Pressure Fan \$9,950.00

Thermal Camera with charger \$5,546.00

Akron Intake Valve \$4,481.60 and additional Fittings \$827.50

Holmatro V-Strut (stabilization equipment) \$3,016.00

Super Vacuum Saw Conversion Kit \$1,791.00

Hand Tools \$4,831.41

Total Miscellaneous equipment is \$80,126.01, with a possibly or additional shipping cost estimated to be \$2,000.00

Total amount of \$82,126.01.

Laura Madigan made a motion to approve equipment requests for Fire Department of \$80,126.01 and an additional \$2,000 for shipping totaling \$82,126.01.

Allison Hultman made the second.

Motion passed 4-0.

Commission Comments

Laura Madigan thanks all for supporting this necessary Equipment, as it helps spread out the cost and protect the general fund some.

Adjournment

Allison Hultman made the motion to adjourn.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:32 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 23rd day of June, 2026

REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF PORTER

/s/ Russ Erwin, President

/s/ Peter Sawochka-Dalton, Vice President

/s/ Jamie Hogan, Member

/s/ Laura Madigan, Member

Attest: /s/ Karen Spanier, Recording Secretary