

TOWN OF PORTER
Redevelopment Commission
303 Franklin Street

August 26, 2025

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Present: President Allison Hultman, Vice President William Lopez, Russ Erwin, Jamie Hogan, Peter Sawochka-Dalton, and Beth Mehling.

Absent: Secretary Karen Spanier and Attorney Christopher Willoughby

Also Present: Director of Development Michael Barry, and Tammie Sufana for Spanier.

Approval of Minutes

Jamie Hogan made the motion to approve July 22, 2025 meeting minutes, with William Lopez making the second.

Motion carried 5-0.

Consideration of Claims

William Lopez made a motion to approve claims for July as presented, with Russ Erwin making the second.

Motion carried 5-0.

Audience Participation

Reports

Building Commissioner/Director of Development

Barry stated he received a letter from DNR about the Mnoke Trail, and everything was fine. Early Coordination Assessment Letter. We should be able to go through process to bid project.

I-94 Project Bridge Cost Share Trail- grant for 2.17 million with a \$520,000.00 match. INDOT has sent a contract to review not to exceed \$669,764.00. This will fill in the gap to Orchard Apartments and connect all the trails. The Attorney has not yet reviewed the contract.

Old Business/New Business

Exterior Grant Program Application/Memorandum of Understanding-DEDC

Barry mentions it was corrected but a typo was found in the last paragraph second sentence the extra word the. Russ Erwin made a motion to approve the MOU with the correction of removing the extra word the.

Jamie Hogan made the second.

Motion carried 5-0.

New Business

U.S. Hwy 20 Property Appraisals- Allison Hultman noted this agenda item is being tabled.

Commission Comments

Mike Barry mentions Home Trees is giving a quote on removing some trees on 10 acres at Brickyard property.

Hultman mentions should we have Chief Craig come to September meeting to discuss the summer help.

Hultman asks the Commission to bring comments to next meeting on the short- and long-term goals for RDC. She will ask Karen Spanier to resend for the next meeting.

Adjournment

Peter Sawochka-Dalton made the motion to adjourn.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

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Approved the 23rd day of September, 2025

REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF PORTER

/s/ William Lopez, Vice- President

/s/ Russ Erwin, Secretary

/s/ Jamie Hogan, Member

/s/ Peter Sawochka-Dalton, Member

Attest: /s/ Karen Spanier, Recording Secretary