

RDC Meeting October 15, 2015

The meeting of the RDC was held at Beech Grove City Hall on October 15, 2015. It started at 7:08 pm (1908 hours). The members present included: President Donald Webb, Vice President Ron Mote, Secretary Cathy Chappell, Jannis King, and Mac Bellner. Tammy Storey did not attend. Mayor Dennis Buckley also attended.

Mac Bellner made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Ron Mote. Minutes were accepted.

The bills presented by President Don Webb totaled \$22,253.88. Those owed money included: Sewer bill, TCA for playground equipment, United Consultants, Peters Consultants, Crossroads Engineering and Lewis & Kappes Law Firm. A motion was by Cathy Chappell to pay the above-mentioned bills, seconded by Jannis King and all approved.

Mayor Buckley told the RDC members some peeling concrete was going to be replaced on the south side of Main Street by the company who did the pouring. He also said Trent, from Crossroads was busy preparing information to be submitted for the Greenway Project. Mayor Buckley asked if the RDC would compose a letter showing their support. President Donald Webb agreed to do so. The deadline for the submittal is November 25 and the final decision will not be available until February. President Donald Webb asked if the RDC needed to budget money for this project and the Mayor responded by saying not until next year. Mayor Buckley said the application for the roundabout at Arlington and Churchman had been processed and he believed the Churchman project will begin in 2017, not 2018 as previously discussed. As far as the St. Francis Hospital property, he was not prepared to discuss the issue at this time.

President Donald Webb talked briefly about the construction at Beech Grove Station. We all agreed how much the cottages have improved the area. Donald also talked about some of the goals he would like the RDC to contemplate in 2016: create a grant to improve the businesses on Main Street and to bring in new businesses, continue to work on the Greenway Project, implement a Better Beech Grove Workshop and to assist with issues regarding St. Francis Hospital.

President Webb passed out copies of a letter he plans to present to the Mayor and to the city council. It is a response to a recording presented at the October city council meeting by a former RDC member. Among other things, the RDC was being accused of wrongdoing with no proof. Donald, in his letter, reiterated how members of the RDC are all volunteers and their common goal is their belief in the community and their desire to make Beech Grove an even better place to work and live.

A motion was made by Jannis King to adjourn and seconded by VP Ron Mote.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Chappell, Secretary