

**NEWPORT CHEMICAL DEPOT REUSE AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
MARCH 26, 2009
MINUTES**

The Newport Chemical Depot Reuse Authority held its monthly meeting on March 26, 2009 at 7:30 p.m. at the Vermillion County Economic Development Commission office at 2250 North Main Street in Clinton, IN.

Members Present:

**Bob Rendaci
Jack Fenoglio
Tom Milligan
Albert Clark
Arden Kilgore**

Visitors:

**Lt. Col. Hibner
Ron Henton
Tom Wilkey
Phil Cox
Leonard Akers
Tim Dreese
J. B. Strange
Jeff Davis
Jim Spence
Carolyn & Bud Sharp
Dale Sparks
Lynn Boese**

Staff: Susie Jones, VCEDC Office Manager

Minutes of the February meeting were reviewed. Albert Clark moved to approve then with a second by Tom Milligan. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

LRA Director:

Jack Fenoglio reported Bill Laubernds has agreed to accept the director's position for a contract of \$95,000 per year. Bill will be in Vermillion County on April 9th to look for a house and to meet everyone. He will be hired as an independent contractor and provide his own health insurance. Lynn Boese of the OEA indicated they would be able to cover moving expenses. After discussion Tom Milligan moved to hire Bill Laubernds as executive director of the reuse authority at an annual salary

of \$95,000 renewable after 12/31/10. Contract after 12/31/10 will be subject to funding. His position will be 90% for the LRA and 10% for VCEDC. Albert Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried.

NOI's:

No NOI's were received from the Homeless. NOI's were received from Sycamore Trails RC & D, Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Wabash River Heritage Corridor and Vermillion County Parks & Recreation Board. A suggestion was made to have them come in for a formal presentation.

Matrix Design Group Report:

Tim Dreese of Matrix Design Group gave an update on their progress. He reported that a Land Use Workshop was held today March 26, 2009. Another will be held tomorrow. They are putting together maps and next week will be doing a building survey. There will be an Industrial Focus Group Workshop on April 8th and an Economic Development Focus Group Workshop on April 9th. The second public meeting and visioning workshop will be held on May 16th. Tim is trying to make contact with North and South Vermillion High Schools regarding a teen workshop. Matrix is working with Mike Phelps (Vermillion County IT representative) on hosting the LRA website on the county website. After some discussion Bob Rendaci made a motion seconded by Arden Kilgore to name the website necdra.com and for the LRA to pay for its own domain name. Motion carried.

Request for Personal Property, Papers etc.:

Tom Rumora suggested that the LRA request the Army does not throw away old pictures, papers, maps etc. Lt. Col. Hibner stated that most of those things will be sent to the National Archives and will be preserved. He also stated if the LRA has questions about certain pieces of equipment they would be glad to discuss it.

Next LRA meeting:

The next LRA meeting will be held on April 16, 2009.

Tom Milligan moved to adjourn meeting. Albert Clark seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

