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Minutes of Meeting of September 3, 2015

Chair Mike Geiss called the Regular Meeting of the Clayton Local Development Corporation to order at 4:03 p.m. in the joint CLDC/Clayton Improvement Association Board Room on Strawberry Lane in Clayton. Also in attendance were Bud Baril, Vice Chair; Justin Taylor, Treasurer; and John Slattery, Secretary; along with Board Members Larry Aubertine, Cary Brick, Michael Docteur, John Kehoe, Kathy LaClair, Dennis Weller, and Norma Zimmer. Chris Bogenschutz, Assistant Secretary; Lori Durand, Rebecca Hopfinger, and Frank House were excused. Executive Director Kristi Dippel was also present.

On motion by Kathy LaClair, second by Cary Brick, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the meeting of August 6, 2015, as presented.

Treasurer Taylor presented one bill for approval in the amount of \$2,584.23, which, when paid, will leave a balance of \$2,843.13 in the checking account. He noted that with the expected receipt of the Village's annual contribution, the CLDC should remain in the black through year's end. On motion by Bud Baril, second by John Kehoe, the Board unanimously approved the Treasurer's Report and payment of the bill, copies of which are attached to these minutes.

Kristi's Administrative Report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes, included updates on seven current projects. She noted that the second round of bids on the TI Inn / Downtown Anchor Project far exceeded the architect's estimate and informed the Board that she will be seeking the funding agency's approval to hire a contractor through direct negotiation, one who may or may not have submitted a bid. The Board was OK with this action. On the Craft Beverage Promotion Project, Kristi noted that there was an additional grant available but cautioned that if the CLDC were to get involved, the CLDC would need to have the authority to administer the project. On motion by John Kehoe, second by Justin Taylor, the Board unanimously approved a resolution granting the Chair and the Executive Director the authority to apply for the additional grant on behalf of the Clayton Craft Beverage Industry with the understanding that the CLDC will set the conditions for the implementation of the grant, will administer the grant in accordance with those conditions, and will collect a 10% administrative fee as compensation for its efforts.

On the Dock Project, Justin reported on the August 20 ribbon cutting ceremony. He also summarized the clarifications he received from Al Ortiz, a federal level Boating Infrastructure Grant official: as long as the docks are accommodating all of the 26+ foot boats who wish to dock there, we are free to allow smaller boats and jet skis to tie up and be charged; further, we can allow fishing charter boats and tour boats to pick up and discharge guests of the Thousand

Islands Harbor Hotel and be charged. He also noted that because this project was in excess of \$500,000, a Single Audit is required and is now being conducted by Crowley and Hallahan.

The next CLDC Board Meeting will be held October 1, 2015.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:16 p.m. on motion by Kathy LaClair, second by Bud Baril.

Respectfully submitted

John E. Slattery, Secretary