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## **Minutes of Meeting of August 2, 2012**

**Chair Larry Aubertine called the Regular Meeting of the Clayton Local Development Corporation to order at 4:00 p.m. in the Town of Clayton Board Room on Riverside Drive in Clayton. Also in attendance were Bud Baril, Vice Chair; Justin Taylor, Treasurer; Chris Bogenschutz, Assistant Secretary; and John Slattery, Secretary; along with Board Members Cary Brick, Walt Christensen, Michael Docteur, Mike Geiss, John Kehoe, and Norma Zimmer. Lori Durand, Rebecca Hopfinger, and Kathy LaClair were excused. Joe Menard is no longer the Thousand Islands CSD Superintendent and will have to be replaced by his successor when appointed. Executive Director Kristi Dippel and advisors Bill Grater, and Mike Bristol were also present.**

**On motion by Walt Christensen, second by Mike Geiss, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting of July 5, 2012.**

**Reporting for Redevelopment Committee Chair Paul Heckmann, Chair Aubertine announced that ATM brought in six designs to the Dock Committee. The best design will be modified slightly as a results of advice solicited from local dock builders. The Chair expressed his appreciation to Kristi Dippel and Norma Zimmer for all their efforts in making the ribbon cutting ceremony for the replica train depot such a success.**

**Treasurer Taylor presented four bills for approval in the amount of \$8,641.95 which, when paid, will leave a balance of \$10,400.38 in the CLDC checking account. He noted that, as a result of advances to the CLDC, the Town's Capital Money Market Account now shows a negative balance of \$112,982.32. There is \$30,059.56 in the Frink Redevelopment Savings account and \$8,562.76 in the Frink Redevelopment Checking Account. On motion by Chris Bogenschutz, second by Bud Baril, the Board unanimously approved the Treasurer's Report and payment of the bills, copies of which are attached to these minutes.**

**Executive Director Kristi Dippel distributed her monthly Administrative Report which included a summary of grant awards and applications, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. Justin Taylor addressed the ongoing negotiations for the sale of the Frink property and summarized the options available. He also expressed Krog's concern about meeting one of the State's conditions for awarding the grant, namely the requirement**

that when the hotel opens it must employ a unionized work force under the Labor Peace Agreement recently imposed by the Governor. This mandate applies statewide even though there are no unionized hotels outside of New York City. Krog is expected to apply for a waiver from this condition. This process may take more than six months. Krog is OK with the other two conditions: 1. that a minimum of 90 jobs be created and 2. that 23% of the project expenditures go to Minority and/or Women Owned Businesses.

For the Frink Park/Riverwalk Committee, Norma Zimmer announced that punch list items for the replica train station at Frink Park are substantially complete.

For the Governance Committee, Mike Geiss expressed the need to clarify the role of Advisory Committee members under the Ethics Policy. After considerable discussion, a straw poll embraced several changes to the CLDC Bylaws, Article V Advisory Committees. The Bylaws will be addressed at the September meeting.

Under Old Business, Justin Taylor announced that the Town has adopted the Joint LWRP; the Village expects to approve it as well. Bud Baril noted that the city of Kingston, Ontario, had shared a number of good ideas regarding dock operations.

The Chair declared that the next meeting of the CLDC Board will be held September 6, 2012, in the Town of Clayton Board Room beginning at 4:00 p.m.

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m. on motion by Walt Christensen, second by John Kehoe.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Slattery, Secretary