

**HIGHLAND REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
STUDY SESSION NOTES
WEDNESDAY, October 28, 2009**

Members of the Highland Redevelopment Commission (“RC”, “Commission”) met on Wednesday, September 23, 2009, at 6:30 PM in the Upper Conference Room within the Municipal Building at 3333 Ridge Road, Highland, Indiana. A quorum was not met; therefore, a study session could not be called to order. Notes were prepared by Cecile Petro, Redevelopment Director.

ROLL CALL: Commissioners present included Adam Gawlikowski and Tom Crowel. Also in attendance were School Town of Highland appointed Commissioner Luanne Jurczak, Economic Development Commissioner George VandeWerken, and Redevelopment Director Cecile Petro. Commissioners Rich, Kuzmar, and Noce were absent with notice.

General Substance of the Discussion

1. Propel Conference

Once again, Director Petro provided information on the upcoming entrepreneurship conference entitled “Propel”, which is scheduled for November 13, 2009, at Faith Church in Dyer, Indiana. It will begin at 8:00 am. Commissioners are encouraged to spread the word about the conference in order to increase the number of attendees. The goal of the conference is to create and encourage entrepreneurship in Northwest Indiana, including Highland. Commissioners suggested contacting local office supply stores and alert the school system about the conference.

2. Kiosk Panel Marketing

An article will be placed in the town’s newsletter to market the kiosks. Members also discussed offering current clients ½ or more off the price if they renew. The Director will also look into recovering insurance costs of the two kiosks that were blown over by a storm.

3. Industrial Park Property Owners meeting

November 18, 2009 at 7:30 at Langel’s Restaurant in downtown Highland was chosen as the date, time, and place of the Industrial Park Property Owner’s meeting. Letters will be going out to owners by November 3, 2009.

4. Dates to Visit Business Park in Mishawaka, IN

The Director will ask Redevelopment Members if December 1, 2009, would be a good date to go to Mishawaka and then confirm with Cressy & Everette/Grubb & Ellis.

5. Business Expansion and Development in Highland

The Director updated the Commission on business development in Highland.

6. Coalition for Border Cities/Counties/ Towns

The Director explained the Coalition that she is working on with the Forum and NIPSCO representatives.

7. Bult Oil Zoning

The Director will develop a resolution to request rezoning of the Bult Oil site. The Commission will discuss and possibly vote on this resolution at the November 2009 meeting.

The Discussion ended at 8:55 PM.