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January Advisory Meeting

Meeting held at Rolla City Council Chambers

8:00 a.m.

January 17, 2014

Attending voting members: Ben Tipton, Shad Becker, Stevie Kears, Randy Verkamp, Jeff Davis, Wayne Parry, Lou Magdits, Dusty Cruise, Keith Strassner, Mike Woessner and Robert Tessaro by cell phone.

Absent voting members: Candace Connell

Others in attendance: Guest Speaker: Joe Driskill.

Call to order: President Wayne Parry called the meeting to order. Mr. Parry recognized Ernie Kost and Charles Epperson with First Community National Bank, our first RREC Special Project Funding Partner.

Mr. Parry asked the Board Members to review the December minutes, which were submitted electronically prior to the meeting. **A motion was made by Shad Becker and seconded by Mike Woessner to approve the minutes as presented.** A voice vote on the motion showed 12 ayes, zero nays, and one absent. **The motion carried.**

Director Lorey presented Mike Woessner a gift for his service on the RREC board, having served as Sec/Treasurer for the past 3 years.

Secretary/Treasurer Ben Tipton reviewed the 2013 financial reports. Mr. Tipton reviewed the highlights of the unofficial report which is yet to be finalized by Steffanie Rogers and therefore not available to the board or public. Mr. Tipton also reviewed the 2014 Budget which was included in the meeting packet. Projected revenues over expenses are showing an \$800 surplus. **A motion was made by Keith Strassner and seconded by Jeff Davis to accept the 2014 budget as presented.** A voice vote on the motion showed 12 ayes, zero nays, and one absent. **The motion carried.** Mr. Parry asked the board members to stay after this meeting for a closed session to discuss a personnel issue.

Mr. Parry advised members newly elected Vice President Ellis Hawkins has resigned the board position as he is moving from the area to further his career. The Nominating Committee, consisting of Mike Woessner, Shad Becker and Wayne Parry, met and is recommending Candace Connell as the new Vice President. Mr. Becker reminded the board of Mrs. Connell's previous service and contribution to RREC having served as Vice President prior to leaving her position with the City of St. James approximately 2 years ago. **Randy Verkamp moved to accept this nomination by acclamation and the motion was seconded by Ben Tipton.** A voice vote on the motion showed 12 ayes, zero nays, and one absent. The motion carried.

Bill Marshall, one of the organizers of RREC, introduced Joe Driskill, Executive Director of the Leonard Wood Institute. Mr. Driskill updated the group on the Sustainable Ozarks Partnership (SOP) created to be a strong advocate for the Fort Leonard Wood area and the FLW installation. SOP needs financial support to continue their mission to keep future FLW cuts to a minimum and is looking for individuals or businesses that could benefit from NAP credits available through the organization.

General Meeting Adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Special Session Commenced at 9:10 a.m.

President Wayne Parry convened the meeting. He explained the purpose of the special session was to advise board members of an oversight that had occurred during the year of 2013 regarding the Director's raise which had been budgeted, and approved 12/12. Proper procedures had not been followed to notify the accounting department of the approved increase in salary, consequently the amount had never been increased throughout the year. Therefore, the accounting department is being directed to issue a back payment for the amount of that annual increase. No action was needed; this session was only for the purpose of advising the board of the situation.

Ben Tipton, Secretary/Treasurer

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