

NWLCRPDA

July 15th, 2008

4:00 p.m.

Hotel Almira

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Members present: Joyce Mings, Don Reid, Wally Kluver, Todd Starkenberg and director Pam Kelley.

Guests Present: Mary Flemming and Marvin Flygare

President Don Reid called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Minutes: Wally **motioned** to approve the minutes and Joyce seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: Treasurer, Wally Kluver gave everyone a finance report (see attachment). The payment to CERB has been made in a timely manner.

Joyce reported that she had contacted the Lincoln County Treasurer's office regarding the property and personal property taxes due on the NWLCRPDA Industrial Park. The Treasurer did receive checks for the entire amount due for the personal property taxes and last year's property taxes. There is still a delinquent amount owed for this year's property taxes. Joyce contacted Micah Trautman and he told her the property taxes will be caught up in a couple weeks and that the July lease payment to the NWLCRPDA was in the mail. As of this meeting it had not arrived.

New business: Mary and Marvin were invited to the meeting to see if one of them might consider filling a vacant director's seat. Pam gave the potential members and the current members a quick course on "What is a Washington State Public Development Authority". She also presented a NW Lincoln County Regional P.D.A. fact sheet (see attachments). Discussion and questions followed.

Old business: Pam reported that the feasibility study had been completed. She had previously e-mailed it to the members and a copy was on the table. The cost estimate for the entire project is \$1,164,659. The board discussed the probability of the success of this project. Todd noted that although he really liked the idea when it originated, he now has serious concerns with the economic downturn and its effect on contractors. The board in general agreed. Joyce **motioned** to pursue going forward on just the larger area being considered for lease by Rocky Boutain. Wally seconded and motion passed. Pam will be meeting with Wright Alcorn to try and get another cost estimate for these changes.

Don noted that it is election time again and asked that it be on the next meeting's agenda.

The board discussed the wind farm that Avista is putting up in Reardan. Joyce noted that there is a big demand for workers for these wind farms and very little training available. Pam will be contacting Avista to see if there is an opportunity to partner with Avista to provide some of this training.

Next meeting: Wally **motioned** to close, Joyce seconded. President Don Reid closed the meeting at 5:25 and some of the attendees went to look at the potential site. The next meeting will be set according to how long it takes to get another cost estimate.

Signed _____
President, Don Reid

Attested _____
Secretary, Joyce Mings