



Minutes: February 9, 2011, 7:00 a.m.

City of Moscow Council Chambers • 206 E 3<sup>rd</sup> Street • Moscow, ID 83843

Lamar called the meeting to order at 7:06 a.m.

**Attendance:**

Commission Members	Staff Present	Others Present
Tom Lamar	Jeff Jones, Executive Director	Tim Brown, Councilmember
Brandy Sullivan	Stephanie Kalasz, City Clerk	Holly Chandler
Steve Drown		
Steve McGeehan		
Sue Scott		

Absent: John McCabe, Dave McGraw

1. Consent Agenda - Any item will be removed from the consent agenda at the request of any member of the Board and that item will be considered separately later.
  - Minutes from January 26, 2011 Meeting
  - January Payables

Scott moved and McGeehan seconded approval of the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Public Comment for items *not on agenda*: 3 minute limit – No public comment was offered.
3. Announcements (including conflict of interest disclosures if any) – No announcements were offered.
4. Legacy Crossing
  - UI/Railroad Property Exchange
  - 6<sup>th</sup> and Jackson Property
    - Existing Structures
    - Site Security
    - Signage
    - Legacy Crossing Status

Jones said the property exchange between the University of Idaho and the Railroad should occur in April. The Jackson Street property has been secured. Consideration is still being given to demolition of the small building but staff is waiting for budget information. The sign is waiting due to budget concerns as well. He said the Anderson property received a final compliance letter for environmental last Friday. They will now consider phasing and find a developer to work with on the project. He discussed concerns and considerations for the development. Lamar said the zoning in the area may affect what can be done. There was discussion about the possibilities for development.

#### 5. Update of Statewide URA Organization/Legislation

Jones explained that there are now eight bills before the legislature. Riedner explained that the Redevelopment Association of Idaho is moving along and he is serving as the Interim President. He explained how the bills are being handled and which committee is dealing with the bills. He discussed membership to the Association (\$50 membership fee) and the importance of having all of the urban renewal agencies in the state be members. He went through the bills being considered and discussed the pros and cons of each bill. He explained that Jones will draft a letter that opposes some of the legislation and will request that it be signed by the URA Board. He said House Bill 98 would repeal the legislation that allows urban renewal agencies. A draft letter regarding the legislation was distributed. Riedner said the letter was drafted by the Capital City URA Attorney who has given consent for the Board to review it. A letter that was authorized by the City Council to the House Government Committee has been distributed to members of the House. He sent a copy of the letter through for the Board to read. There was general discussion about the proposed legislation. Drown moved and McGeehan seconded to direct staff to draft a letter regarding the proposed legislation. Motion carried unanimously. Since the letter was a document provided by legal counsel, it was returned to Riedner.

Jones said the Redevelopment Association of Idaho is getting underway and the annual membership fee is \$50. Scott moved that the Moscow Urban Renewal Agency join the Redevelopment Association of Idaho and pay the \$50 membership fee. Sullivan seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 6. Space and Lease Rate Survey (City Wide)

Jones said the space and lease rate survey is in progress and he discussed product types. There was general discussion about the economic climate and proposed URA legislation.

#### 7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:33 a.m.