

Nashua Business and Industrial Development Authority

Meeting Minutes
May 22, 2009

1. Opening:

The regular meeting of the Nashua Business and Industrial Development Authority was called to order at 8:30am on May 22, 2009 in City Hall Room 208 by Chairman Jack Tulley.

Present: Chairman Jack Tulley, Vice Chairman Don Zizzi, Michael Monks, Brad Vear, John Stabile, Steve Michon, Mayor Donnalee Lozeau

Absent: Steven Bolton, Robert (Skip) Myers, Carl Andrade, Dean Jackson, Hollis (Buzz) Harrington, Mark Prolman, Brian McCarthy

Other Attendees: Thomas Galligani, David Fredette, Jordan Kert, Carole Alfano

2. Approval of Minutes

MOTION BY M MONKS TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF APRIL 17, 2009. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY B VEAR. VICE CHAIRMAN ZIZZI WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SURE THAT MAYOR LOZEAU IS LISTED AS MEMBER IN THE MEETING MINUTES GOING FORWARD AND AMEND OLD MINUTES. APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Old Business

Bridge Street Update and Next Steps

T. Galligani stated that a letter has been signed and delivered to Renaissance and now BIDA is legal to move forward with the next steps once they receive the document. D. Zizzi asked what the outcome was of the three points that needed clarification from the last meeting. T. Galligani said that the sub committee met after the May 22nd meeting and held a brief phone call with D. Monti regarding those issues. Chair Tulley stated that they discussed risk management, time is of the essence and an extension, and received a positive response to all. D. Zizzi asked for clarification on the budget issue. T. Galligani said that at the time the consultants are selection and then approved by the BIDA, a budget will be provided. Another spent-to-date budget will be provided to the BIDA at the closing.

There was a discussion about releasing information about the deal to the media. C. Alfano, the Mayor's Communication Director, suggested releasing small amounts of information now and then a bigger amount when Renaissance is here. BIDA discussed working with Renaissance on the press release. Information will be sent to the Board of Alderman, as a courtesy, before the media is notified. It is expected that the Board of Alderman Planning and Economic Development Committee may ask that Renaissance come to an upcoming meeting to make a presentation.

T. Galligani will send members of the BIDA the recent non-public minutes via email to the BIDA membership so that they can be reviewed and accepted at the next meeting. At that point, they will be released to the public.

T. Galligani gave an update on the CSO issue. He and D. Chisholm spoke with National Grid about site on the other side of the tracks. They do not seem to have any issue if it is determined the BIDA locates a CSO facility next door to them. The owner does have an access agreement to allow him to go through National Grid's property. Vice Chair Zizzi suggested that a sub-committee be formed with some members of the BIDA to keep tabs on the CSO facility. Chairman Tulley asked D. Zizzi, M. Monks and B. Vear, along with himself, to be on the sub-committee, all agreed.

Chair Tulley requested an update on the cell tower issue. T. Galligani stated that the contract expires in 2020. Mayor Lozeau suggested T. Galligani work with the City IT Director on this issue.

4. New Business

Broad Street Parkway

T. Galligani gave update on the project as well as some background. The city is working on hiring a project manager to handle on the work and budget. Concurrently, the City is hiring the NRPC to conduct an environmental re-evaluation of the 1997 Record of Decision alignment. T. Galligani stated it is about a 12 month project, so this time next year final design work will begin.

There was discussion about two development areas adjacent to the Broad Street Parkway which will become viable once the Parkway is constructed. The Mohawk Tannery area and the Front/Franklin Street mill area both have significant development potential. The EPA is studying the possibility of using a new approach to containing the contamination on the site, which would reduce cleanup costs dramatically. T. Galligani is working with Kathy Hersh and property owners in the Front/Franklin Street area to identify barriers to development and to understand the cost of providing adequate infrastructure to the area. The group is making significant progress. Vice-Chair Zizzi suggested that the BIDA should become involved in the discussion relative to the Tannery project and should consider creating a BIDA Subcommittee to provide input.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 10am by Chairman Tulley.

The next general meeting will be at 8:30am on June 19, 2009 in Room 208 of City Hall.

Minutes submitted by: Julie Walker