

Harmony EDA Minutes

October 20, 2005
4:00 p.m.

Council Room
Community Center

Present: Roxanne Johnson, Sherry Hines, Steve Cremer
Also Present: Jerome Illg, Cris Gastner

Meeting was called to order 4:10 p.m. by Sherry Hines

Mobile Home Park

Discussion occurred regarding the development of the site. Jerome mentioned that he had a signed easement agreement from Barb Knabel. It was the consensus to put ad in the paper to solicit proposals for development of the property similar to what was done in the past. The drainage issue would be the choice of the developer to decide what is appropriate. The developer would pay the cost of the infrastructure, homes, and engineering. Jerome will also contact interested parties from before for the development.

Development Project

Jerome updated the board on the counteroffer that Sherry had gotten back to Susan with. Susan would be discussing with her parents in the next week or so. Sherry would be writing a letter to Susan along with the revised option contract based on the earlier meeting of the counteroffer.

Jerome and Cris mentioned that Ted from Tri-County is planning their budget for 2006, and would like to know where we stand on their building and relocating. Jerome mentioned that he had talked to the county commissioner Prestby and Amunrud. The commissioners were set on putting the county shop land out for bids, since that is the desired direction that they set out to do. They were intrigued by our thoughts of the economic benefits for jobs, tax base, and guarantee of that, which they possibly would not get in the bidding process. The EDA would come up with a far price so we could possible bid on the land and explain to the county why they should sell the land to the city explaining the economic benefits and a reduced price. Discussion then occurred what was a fair offer for Tri-County's existing building. They would be allowed to relocate to the city land next to our shop, or the county land, should that transpire.

Motion by Steve, seconded by Roxanne to offer \$20,000 for the Tri-County building, and offering them a buildable size lot in Harmony in which to relocate on. Motion carried.

Jerome and Cris will meet with Ted to discuss.

SEMDC Contract

The contract for 2006 was reviewed. It was tabled until next meeting, due to lack of quorum for voting members without a conflict of interest.

Miscellaneous

KTTC survey has been sent out to businesses for feedback. We will await response before renewal.

Roxanne gave an update on Clarissa Hughes' situation.

At 6:00 pm motion was made by Roxanne to adjourn, seconded by Steve, motion carried.