

**City of St. Charles**  
**Economic Development Authority**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

1. Meeting was called to order at 8:06am at City Hall by Greg Gall. Present were: Gall, Greg Backes, Bill Spitzer, Dan Pearson, Wayne Getz, Mark Linderbaum, Bill DeBruyckere, City Administrator Nick Koverman, and EDA Coordinator Cris Gastner
2. **Minutes:** Minutes from the February 10<sup>th</sup> meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Getz and seconded by Pearson to approve. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
3. **Financials:** The financial reports were reviewed. A motion was made by Getz and seconded by Backes to approve the financials. All Ayes, Motion Carried.
4. **Business Items:**
  - a. **Marketing Update**

Gastner and Koverman updated the Board on the research that they continue to do regarding marketing possibilities for the business park lots. Several communities contacted did not list the commercial land on MLS with a specific realtor, instead a couple of them sent information out to all local realtors with an incentive listed for anyone that brought forth a prospect that ended in a land sale. The consensus of the Board was that this was a great idea for one of the avenues to market the property.
  - b. **C-3 Zoning Guidelines**

Koverman gave the Board the draft of the C-3 zoning regulations for their review. The planning and zoning committee is reviewing the draft guidelines as well as their goal is finding a balance that puts reasonable requirements on possible development in the park while still making it as developable as possible.
  - c. **DNR-Trailer project**

Koverman presented information that the DNR has put funds aside to purchase the mobile homes located in the floodway when they become vacated.
  - d. **Bike Trail Meeting Update**

Gastner and Koverman updated the Board on a meeting that they had attended with DNR and MNDoT officials regarding the proposed St. Charles to Whitewater State Park bike trail. The meeting focused on the trail once it enters Whitewater State Park, but that impacts the trail development from St. Charles in how we look to get to the park. There is a landowner meeting scheduled for Wednesday the 14<sup>th</sup> that will be attended by the DNR and MNDoT officials to continue to encourage land owner support for the trail project.
5. Motion to Adjourn was made by Pearson, seconded by DeBruyckere. Motion carried.