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**HIGH SPRINGS
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
MINUTES
JANUARY 25TH, 2024**

Meeting called to order by Chair Miller at 5:30pm

Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Chair Andrew Miller – Present
Member Byran Williams-Present
Member Katherine Weitz- Present
Member Tristan Grunder- Present

STAFF PRESENT:

Ashley Stathatos, City Manager
Angela Stone, City Clerk
Jami Echeverri, Assistant City Clerk
Kristyn Adkins, Planning Technician
Allan Alligood, Building Official
Antoine Shepherd, Police Chief

Approval of Agenda: Approval of Agenda for January 25, 2024 CRA Meeting.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

Approval of Minutes from August 24, 2023 CRA meeting.

Member Weitz motioned to approve minutes from the August 24, 2023 CRA meeting.

Member Grunder seconded

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Discuss, Consider, and Act on CRA plan update.

Tom Kohler, with GAI consultants, presented a brief updated CRA plan to the board.

Chair Miller asked where in the process Rails to Trails is. Mr. Kohler advised that he was unaware at this time.

Public Comment: None

Member Weitz motioned to move forward with getting the CRA plan updated and on the way to the county for approval

Member Grunder seconded

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Update on Police Station Appropriation

Chief Sheppard gave an update on the police appropriation grant and its progress and their trip to Tallahassee to discuss it.

Member Weitz asked if this could be discussed at the Legislative Active Days.

City Manager Stathatos advised in a group setting likely not but if an opportunity for a one-on-one meeting arises it would be appropriate.

Public Comment: None

Discuss, Consider, and Act on Farmer's Market

Staff Bohannon gave an update on the surveys conducted for the farmers market and asked the board for potential ideas for going forward. Chair Miller asked Staff Bohannon her thoughts on what she would like to see moving forward. She advised she would like to see it energized. Bring in more events, music, better signage etc.

City Manager Stathatos also suggested updated rental contracts and specifications for what is sold at the market.

Public Comment:

Sharon Decker – has had citizens request If the farmers market could be held in the morning.
Chris Qualman – spoke of his love and support of farmers market and his enjoyment of them. He commended a vendor on her enthusiasm and advertising of the farmers market and believes that because of people like her the diversity is a great feature of the High Springs Farmers Market.

Gale Rosenboom – a vendor of the farmer's market. She stated they get a lot of visitors because they can go after work as well as catching visitors for the springs.

Sharon Yeago – former consultant for the Farmer's Market, does not agree with current management and how the farmer's market is being ran.

Sanna Cerry - a vendor of the market since 2020 loves working at and supporting the High Springs farmers market and supports the variety and diversity.

CHAIR REPORT:

STAFF UPDATE: Update on call for Façade Grants
Tabled Until later meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PUBLIC COMMENTS

**Member Grunder motioned to adjourn.
Meeting Adjourned at 6:38 pm.**