

# Woodruff Place EID

## Economic Improvement District

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### EID Board Meeting

### Meeting Minutes

7:00 PM, Tuesday, May 12 via Zoom video call due to COVID-19

Board members present: Charlie Neill; Will Pritchard; Paul Russell; Linda Gilkerson; Jim Leich; Missy Ellis

Board members absent: Lyle Bass

Guests: Tom Abeel

### Minutes:

1. March 10 minutes – Charlie moved and Paul seconded the approval of the minutes and they passed unanimously.
2. New member – the City Council’s Economic Development Committee overseeing the EID approved Missy Ellis as Greg Staab’s replacement on the EID Board. The City Council voted to approve Missy on March 16.
3. Memorandum of Understanding with the Department of Public Works – The purpose of the MOU is to define who is responsible for what parts of Woodruff Place’s infrastructure. Missy, Greg Touney, and Will are preparing a draft MOU and starting with the streetlights as a model.
4. We have received the DPW grant for the second half of 2019. This was the final disbursement of DPW funds for 2019.
5. LISC loan – we have received the LISC loan in full.
6. Remodeling the kitchen – it will take about three weeks to complete the kitchen remodel which is expected to start soon.
7. Assessment increase – EID is proposing a 5% increase in assessments in 2020 and we have informed the neighborhood. We have hit a snag. Will has heard from the City Council attorney that the authorizing statute requires that we get approval by 60% of the neighborhood. Next steps: Will will reach out to the Fort Wayne attorney since they have increased their EID assessment. We will reach out to neighborhood attorneys Josh Robertson and Greg Tourney for their thoughts.
8. Treasurer’s report: There has not been a lot of activity. There is \$67,558.29 in the checking account and we are ready to get going on 2020 projects. Charlie noted that he is quitting the 10<sup>th</sup> Street fence effort because of his health and age. Paul will look into alternatives for heading up this effort.
9. Jim moved for adjournment, the motion was seconded by Charlie and approved unanimously.

Prepared by:



Jim Leich, Secretary, WPEID Board of Directors