

**Rainier Economic Development Council**  
**Minutes**  
**November 8, 2011**  
**5:00 p.m.**  
**Rainier City Hall**  
**106 West "B" Street**  
**Rainier, OR 97048**

**Meeting Called to Order at 5:05 PM.**

**Board Present:** Mike Avent, Phil Butcher, Sloan Nelson, William Vilardi

**Board Absent:** Russ Moon, David Langford, Scott Cooper

**Approval of Minutes:**

**Motion** by Vilardi, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nelson to approve 9/21/11 minutes

**Motion** by Nelson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vilardi to approve 10/19/11 minutes

**November 2011 Monthly Staff Financial Report Presented**

**Motion** by Nelson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vilardi to authorize Debbie Dudley to find a financial person at or below what REDCO is currently paying.

**Passed unanimously**

**Visitor Comments:** None

**Old Business:**

**Motion** by Butcher, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vilardi to table, for sometime in the future, the discussion of whether to renew Association of Oregon Redevelopment Agencies.

**Discussion:** Should there be a monthly stipend for Council Members?

It was pointed out that ordinance 944 specifies that council can not and will not be paid for anything other than expense. Expenses can be reimbursed.

**New Business:**

**Discussion:**

- a) "A" Street - Work being done to develop costs for replacement of the sewers in order to assess whether it is economically feasible.
- b) A meeting to take place in which the railroad wants to discuss movement between Rainier and Clatskanie. Concerns expressed: Recent stopping of trains in the middle of town for extended periods of time, and the traffic load with train traffic expected to triple within the next 2-3 years. New president of rail intends to visit the sight to understand issues for Rainier
- c) Discussed possibility of REDCO partnering with Little League. Recommendation was made to wait on the decision until it is known where all expenses would fall out and then commit known dollars across all projects. A suggestion was made to look for grant money for Little League. Also expressed was the need to move forward expeditiously with assessing the financial situation and to exchange proposals between The City of Rainier and REDCO.

- d) Business of order for regular meetings: currently at one meeting per month. OK as is.

**Unfinished Business:**

- a) Adopt Resolution for checks under \$500.00.
- b) Request for shredder for REDCO office - not to exceed \$100.00.

**Regular meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM**

**Executive session convened at 5:30 PM**

**Executive Session pursuant ORS 192.660(2)(f) to consider information or records that are exempt from disclosure by law AND Executive Session pursuant ORS 192.660(2)(h) to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.**

**Executive session adjourned at 5:45 PM.**

**Regular session reconvened at 5:45 PM.**

**Motion** made by Nelson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vilardi to approve November payables in the amount of \$14,232.09

**Regular session adjourned at 5:50 PM.**

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Mike Avent, Chairperson

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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Sloan Nelson, Secretary

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_