

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA
December 2, 2025**

The Jasper Redevelopment Commission met on Tuesday, December 5, 2025. Notice was given in compliance with Indiana's Open Meeting Law.

CALL TO ORDER

President Andrew Seger called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

	In person	By Zoom	Absent
President Andrew Seger	✓	—	—
Vice President John Schroeder	✓	—	—
Secretary John Kahle	✓	—	—
Phil Mundy	✓	—	—
Laura Grammer	✓	—	—
City Attorney Renee Kabrick	✓	—	—
Non-voting advisor Steve Lukemeyer	—	—	✓
Clerk-Treasurer Kiersten Knies	✓	—	—
Director of C.D./Planning Josh Gunselman	✓	—	—

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the November 4, 2025, regular meeting were reviewed. John Schroeder made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Phil Mundy seconded it. Motion carried 5-0.

CLAIMS

Clerk Treasurer Kiersten Knies presented a claim for the lease rental/bond payment for the new outdoor pool in the amount of \$285,000. Ms. Knies explained that the payments will be made twice a year, with funds from Central TIF funds. John Kahle made a motion to approve the claim as presented, seconded by Laura Grammer. Motion carried 5-0.

GENERL BUSINESS

Approval of 2026 Heart of Jasper Contract

City Attorney Renee Kabrick reported that the City of Jasper has maintained contracts with the Heart of Jasper for the past five years. The contracts include one with the City of Jasper's Board of Public Works and Safety that contributes to the façade grant program for downtown businesses. The City of Jasper's Redevelopment Commission also maintains a contract that provides \$25,000 annually to support new businesses and downtown projects. Clerk-Treasurer Kiersten Knies noted that the \$25,000 was included in the 2026 TIF Spending Plan that was approved last month.

Kate Schwenk, Heart of Jasper Director, discussed the 2025 accomplishments of the contracted funds. Ms. Schwenk noted that of the 15 applicants that applied for the façade program funds, 10 were commercial businesses and 2 were residential. She reported that seven new businesses opened in 2025 and four closed. She noted that the 2025 Redevelopment Commission funds were used to install downtown perimeter lighting. Ms. Schwenk explained that arts, entertainment, and dining have been the focus in previous years and a transition to “Alive After 5” plans are in place to focus more on connectivity.

After further discussion, Phil Mundy made a motion to approve the 2026 Heart of Jasper contract, seconded by Laura Grammer. Motion carried 5-0.

Comprehensive Plan Meetings

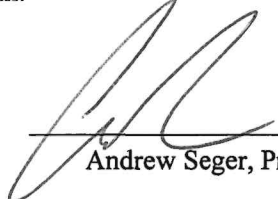
Josh Gunselman, Director of Community Development and Planning, invited the commission members to attend the Comprehensive Plan presentation of Community Vision at the Jasper Plan Commission meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 3, 2025 at 7:00 PM in Council Chambers. He also invited them to attend the Future Summit – Public Form scheduled for Saturday, December 6, 2025, 9:00 AM – Noon at the Jasper Parklands Pavillion.

Updates

City Attorney, Renee Kabrick noted that a Regional Wellness Center presentation is scheduled for December 9, 2025 at the Jasper Park Board meeting. Ms. Kabrick also reported that the Redevelopment Commission will need to elect next year’s officers at the January 6, 2026 meeting.

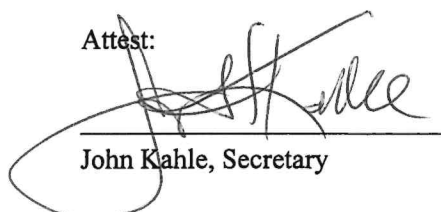
ADJOURNMENT

Following a brief discussion, John Schroeder made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by John Kahle. The motion carried 5-0, and the meeting adjourned at 8:15 a.m.



Andrew Seger, President

Attest:



John Kahle, Secretary

Recording Secretary, Becki Moorman