

Economic Development Committee Minutes
September 19, 2014

The Economic Development Committee meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm with the following members present: Mr. Bill Blue, Mr. Carl Hornung, Mayor Ben Garlich, Mr. Dave McDowell, Mr. Dick Schill and Ms. Kim Breyley. Excused: Mr. Dave Dietrich

Also Present: L. Gambosi, Economic Development Director

Agenda: Addition: Add Refocusing of Economic Development Committee
Deletions: None

Minutes of August 20, 2014 were presented for approval. Mr. Hornung moved to approve the minutes with correction to the spelling of Dick Schill's name, seconded by Mr. McDowell. All in favor: Yeas (6).

OLD BUSINESS:

1. DOWNTOWN PARK IMPROVEMENTS – Discussion held regarding working with Auburn Career Center to render a drawing of the downtown pocket park while also continue discussions with the Geauga Park District to come to an agreement on the bike trail paving. L. Gambosi will email the narrative for the park to Auburn Career Center.
2. DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS – General Discussion regarding current projects as well as bringing back the Farmer's Market again. New entrance sign design was discussed and L. Gambosi will contact Northcoast to see if they can get a rendering using the colors on the Village's website.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1) Refocusing of the Economic Development Committee: To be a revenue generating committee in order to increase the revenue of the Village. L. Gambosi spoke about the marketing that has been going on since June and who has been marketed to as well as current site visits. L. Gambosi will make contact with Kirby Date as well as Lori from GoldKey. Mayor Garlich stressed the importance of reaching out to companies and finding what type of workforce they are in need of and will be in need of in the future. The committee agreed and will continue to be focused on revenue generation and job creation for the village.

General Discussion on Economic Development matters.

Being no further business at this time the meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.