Economic Development Committee Minutes March 9, 2016

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. Dave Dietrich, Mr. Dick Schill, and Ms. Kim Breyley.

<u>Also Present</u>: Leslie Gambosi-McCoy, Economic Development Director, Tim Sexton, Sexton & Associates Architects, Inc., and Dave Bower, Ohio State Snowmobile Association

<u>Agenda</u>: Additions/Deletions: Mr. McDowell would like to add on the #2 under Old Business (Entrance Signs) to also talk about the planting underneath, and Mr. Blue would like to add #1 under new business to discuss what the Ohio State Snowmobile Association is proposing.

<u>Minutes of January 28, 2016</u> were presented for approval. Mr. McDowell moved to approve the minutes, Mr. Hornung seconded. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1. **DOWNTOWN POCKET PARK UPDATE**: Mr. Tim Sexton brought preliminary drawings in to discuss the park gazebo. Discussion was held regarding the placement, design, and foundation of the gazebo. Mr. Sexton asked for additional information and Ms. McCoy will get him information regarding the electrical that is on site. Mr. Sexton stated that now that he has this information he will be able to get into more detail with a drawing and will bring back that information to the next scheduled meeting on March 24.
- 2. **ENTRANCE SIGN** Ms. McCoy presented 3 additional panel signs to be displayed on the entrance sign. The committee agreed that these signs should be made and Ms. McCoy will have them ordered. Mr. McDowell brought up his concern regarding the entrance sign and plantings. Mayor Garlich stated that he is having a quote made up for a topless/bottomless box that will house Hastas or other low/no maintenance plants that will look nice when driving into the Village.
- 3. **DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**: The committee discussed ongoing development projects throughout the Village.

NEW BUSINESS

1. OHIO STATE SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION – Mr. Dave Bower attended the meeting to ask what the position of the Village was in regards to opening up the bike path for snowmobilers and be a PILOT Program for the area. Mr. Bower stated that his association is in the planning stage to produce a feasibility study showing the impact that snowmobiling could have on the area. He also mentioned in Ashtabula County there is already snowmobiling trails that are working out well for the area. The committee discussed what Mr. Bower was asking and Mr. Blue stated that he would add the idea to the committee's Pending discussions until he was able to provide a formal proposal. Mr. Bower thanked everyone for their time and stated that he would be in touch.

Being no further business at this time the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.