

Economic Development Committee Minutes September 11, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: B. Blue, K. Breyley, Mayor Garlich, D. McDowell, and R. Wiech. D. Dietrich and D. Schill were absent.

Also present: Dan Weir – Village Administrator.

Agenda: add to new business, income tax and post office.

Minutes for August 28, 2013: minutes were presented for approval. Blue moved to approve the minutes, seconded by McDowell. All in favor: Yeas (4), K. Breyley abstained.

OLD BUSINESS

1. License Bureau – Discussion was held. Commissioner Spidalieri is talking with various government officials to see what needs to be done to bring the license bureau back to the area.
2. Ms. Kirby Date Proposal (CSU) – Discussion was held. Mayor Garlich stated a meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 17th at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Kirby will bring everything with her to present to the committee.
3. W. High Street Retail Strip Improvement Proposal – Discussion was held. Weir stated that he will call and see if any information can be provided.
4. Development Projects – Lengthy discussion was held. Mayor Garlich stated that he has various meetings scheduled in the next few weeks.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:35 p.m., Mayor Garlich moved to adjourn into executive session for the purpose of personnel, seconded by Wiech. Roll call: All Yeas (5).

The meeting reconvened at 7:40 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

5. Director of Economic Development – Weir provided the committee with a job description. Discussion was held. Mayor Garlich and Weir will meet with Rita McMahon, former City Manager for the City of Painesville, next week.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Ashtabula City Job Development Incentive (Review) – Lengthy discussion was held. The committee asked for Weir to put together an incentive program and present it to the committee.

2. Income Tax – McDowell requested he would like to see the income tax report available on the website.
3. Post Office – McDowell asked about the handicap parking. Discussion was held about the location. Wiech suggested a signed petition from Village residents and sending it to congress.
4. General Discussion – The committee opened the meeting to general discussion on projects and development opportunities.

Being no further business at this time, Mayor Garlich moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

PENDING

1. Village Entrances
2. Port Authority
3. Market Analysis
4. Storm water
5. Property Maintenance
6. Airport