

## **Economic Development Committee Minutes**

### **January 8, 2019**

The Economic Development Committee meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm with the following members present: Mr. Dave Dietrich, Mr. Scott Klein, Mr. Bill Blue, Mr. Dave McDowell, Mr. Dick Schill, Mayor Garlich and Ms. Kim Breyley.

**Also Present:** Ms. Leslie McCoy-Village Administrator, Mr. John Boksansky, Ms. Rebecca Fisher, Ms. Jennifer Fekete, Ms. Linda Smallwood and Ms. Barb Rayburn.

Pledge of allegiance was done.

**Agenda:** No additions or deletions to the agenda.

**Minutes of November 20, 2018** were presented for approval. Mayor Garlich moved to approve the minutes, motion seconded by Mr. McDowell. All in Favor: Yeas (6). Mr. Klein abstained due to not being a member of the committee prior to this meeting.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **School Consolidation Opinion District Survey:** Ms. McCoy stated that the district surveys will be mailed out to all registered voters in the district. The survey link will also be available online. There will also be phone surveys conducted. Discussion regarding creating a focus group of the largest employers in the village so they also have a say in how this issue moves forward. Mayor Garlich asked the school board members in attendance if the survey comes back positive would they then be in support of reopening discussion with the Berkshire School Board. Ms. Rayburn stated that she cannot answer that question as she has concerns regarding the fact that the survey is only going to registered voters not all district parents. Ms. Smallwood stated that if the survey comes back positive she feels that discussion should be reopened. Lengthy discussion regarding the survey questions, mailing and how voters will know what is in the envelope.
2. **Ideas for vacant spaces:** Discussion regarding the various properties. It was asked if an entertainment center with bouncy house, arcade and other various entertainment. Looking at an Urgent Care Clinic.
3. **Website Recommendations:** No discussion held.
4. **Residential Zoning Violations:** Mr. McDowell stated that he asked to have this put on the agenda and produced pictures showing a residential property. Ms. McCoy stated that this property has been in and out of the court system for violations. The owner has until January 11<sup>th</sup> to remove the RV. Ms. McCoy read the violations that the resident has been cited with; some have been completed and many are still in violation.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Being no further business at this time the meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

### **PENDING:**

1. Storm Water
2. Airport
3. Job Incentives
4. Apprentice Program
5. W. High St. Strip Plaza