

Approved Economic Development Meeting Minutes

Monday January 9, 2017

1. Meeting called to order at 7:44 a.m. by Chairperson Pastor Joe Mills.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call** - Darlene Barber, Brian Doruff, Lori-Jo Fergle, Pastor Joe Mills, Allison Muzal, **Village Chamber of Commerce Liaison (vacant seat), Village Representative**, Trustee Frank Perry, Director Community Development Melissa Headley
4. **Opening Public Participation and Comments-** none.
5. **Active Agenda**
 - A. **Approval of Meeting Minutes-** December 12, 2016 meeting minutes approved by Brian Doruff, second by Lori- Jo Fergle; all in favor, the minutes were unanimously approved.
6. **Updates from Village Management-** Melissa Headley report given which included, two planning committee meetings held for Chicago Highlands Golf Course, and Hampton Inn who will be transitioning to new name Four Points by Sheraton.
7. **Updates from Village Chamber of Commerce-** Chamber Breakfast January 12th, 2017 being held at Westchester Community Church; and Celebrate Westchester event scheduled for January 28, 2017 will be held at Alpine Banquets.
8. **Old Business (Discussion Only)**
 - A. **Reviewing Business District Gatherings. What have we learned? How can we best assist businesses in their growth and success? Next steps-** Discussions held.
 - B. **Conversation about 10526 Cermak-suggestions/input on their request-** Eric Rossi provided letter to EDC to satisfy concerns relating to property proposal.
9. **New Business** –
 - A. Consideration of Paul Strandquist (Midwest Orthopedics) for EDC vacancy- A letter of interest was presented to EDC to fill vacancy as Chamber Liaison; we'll invite him to join us in a future meeting to introduce him to all committee members. Also, Doug Hilton a village resident presented a letter of interest to Trustee Frank Perry regarding potentially filling vacant seat as EDC member.
 - B. Also, Brian Doruff mentioned a Multi-Chamber Evening Golf event scheduled for June, Westchester Economic Development Committee participation requested.
 - C. Allison Muzal mentioned, regretfully she will not renew her appointment as EDC member in April.

Adjournment- Motion to adjourn Lori-Jo Fergle, second by Darlene Barber; meeting adjourned at 8:32am.