Westchester Economic Development Committee

EDC Meeting Minutes- May 20, 2024

Call to Order: 4:32pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Present: Darlene Barber, Jeannie Helgesen, Chairman Pastor Joe Mills; Village Representation; Director of Community Development Jim Novosel (not present) substituting in his stead Annie Canavan, Trustee Robert Morales (not present)

Updates from Director Community Development- Annie Canavan mentioned, a new business called Wing Snob will be coming soon to the strip plaza on the corner of Roosevelt/Manheim; also Cindy Klimer has finalized her interviews and a report will be forthcoming and presented to the Village Management and Board of Trustees; also Jeannie Helgesen inquired about Annie's role regarding the village newsletter and the business spotlight information, Annie is the contact person and request that information the EDC provides be presented before the deadline date each month.

Active Agenda-

Motion to approve meeting minutes of the April 8th meeting by Jeannie Helgesen, second by Darlene Barber; all in favor, minutes unanimously approved.

New Business-

Discussions were held regarding future Business Spotlights for June, July, and August and the focus was on businesses in the Tower and Prairie Districts; no business will be spotlighted for the month of June, the spotlights will resume in July edition.

New meeting time discussed, which included new time start time being 4:30pm every 2nd Monday of the month. Darlene Barber made mention that she will not be available for the June 10th meeting.

Old Business-

Next Educational Event: Item deferred until the fall; Pastor Joe Mills will speak with Allison Muzal for a possible date of October 23rd.

District Updates given, which included Jeannie Helgesen made mention of the Urgent Care no longer located in the Prairie District; the fountain on the corner of Cermak/Manheim has been approved and will be renovated and transformed into a garden fountain display by, the Grass Roots Garden Group.

Items C. D.- deferred.

Public Participation- Residents Nicole Molinaro discussed the fountain and upkeep cost; and Leann Pettis mentioned that Westchester Auto located in the Addison Creek District sold the business, new owners name is Jacob.

Meeting Adjourn 5:25pm by Jeannie Helgesen, second by Darlene Barber; all in favor, meeting adjourned.