

MINUTES FROM THE 08-15-2016 – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING

The meeting of the Economic Development AD HOC Committee was held on Monday – August 15th, 2016 at Premier Community Bank – 745 Highway #32, Pulaski, WI. Chairperson Chris Smith called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM (NOON), and the following members were present: Chris Smith – CH, Robert Gajewski, and Sam McMahon. Absent with excuse: Gloria Morgan, and Jon Syndergaard. (Also present – as per attached Attendance Sheet).

MOTION BY SAM MCMAHON AND SECONDED BY ROBERT GAJEWSKI to approve the agenda as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

REPORT ON PROJECTS & PROSPECTS:

- North Business Park.
- Franciscan Publishing building. Brown County Library has done two follow up visits with architects and contractors – (Boldt). Early estimates include approximately \$750,000 for all build out including accessible entrances. Pulaski library is a second priority in the Brown County Library system. Allyson Watson recommends forming a local support effort (branded effort) to raise money to fill a financing gap. We need to make a business case for other economic impact in the community.
- Red Raider Stadium/Field of Dreams. The first football game will be held on Friday – 09-02-2016. Everything is going really well. Fundraising and engineering for Phase II is well underway. The stadium seats 2,200 persons, and we want to fill the stands.
- Kwik-Trip – There seems to be mixed opinions on this project. Tammy Brzeczowski encourages everyone to share feelings with the Village Board Members. The question is – “What are economic benefits of Kwik-Trip?” It creates a tax base, creates good paying jobs, doesn’t ask for an incentive, and is a good community member. Existing businesses need to focus on customer service and serving their current patrons as well as they can.
- Facades being improved:
 1. Smurawa Bakery
 2. Mike Boettcher – Considering restaurant recruitment. Can we get more restaurants downtown?
 3. Allyson Watson suggested commercial certified kitchen concept in Printery Building.

DISCUSSION ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE’S ROLE AND PURPOSE:

- AD HOC Committee – Development takes a long time and deals develop slowly. Many things cannot be discussed openly. Possibly meet every other month or quarterly. Some like monthly meetings to be kept up to date. There may be value in ongoing conversation and communication which drives interest. Is the groups’ purpose decision making or advocacy and communication? This group will try to meet every other month.

SUCH OTHER MATTERS: None.

PERSONS HEARD: None.

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for – Monday – October 17th, 2016 at 12:00 PM (NOON) at Premier Community Bank – 745 Hwy. #32, Pulaski, WI. (Please note there will be no meeting held in September 2016).

MOTION BY ROBERT GAJEWSKI AND SECONDED BY SAM MCMAHON to adjourn the meeting at 1:10 PM. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Minutes by: Kristen Fish
 Redevelopment Resources

Minutes typed by: Karen Ostrowski
 Village Clerk

ATTENDANCE SHEET

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MONDAY - 08-15-2016- 12:00 PM (NOON)

PREMIER COMMUNITY BANK

745 HIGHWAY #32 - PULASKI, WI

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10.	Bec Kurzynski		