

Village Trustees
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Business Development Commission Meeting Minutes Resource Bank 135 W Oak Knoll Dr, Hampshire, IL 60140

HONOR TRADITION

The regular meeting of the Business Development Commission of Hampshire was called to order by Commissioner Krajecki in person on May 17, 2023.

1. Call to order at 6:38 pm

In-person: Commissioners Liz Martin, Meagan Rago, Ryan Krajecki, David Pizzolato, Karen Trzaska, Trustee Aaron Kelly, Village Manager Jay Hedges and Assistant to the Village Manager Josh Wray.

Absent: Bill Swalwell

Roll call confirmed - (quorum established)

- 2. Public Comments:
 - None
- 3. Meeting Minutes Approval From 4/12/23:
 - Commissioner Trzaska moved to make a motion to approve the meeting minutes from 4/12/23.
 - Second by Commissioner Pizzolato
 - Motion carried by voice vote:
 - Ayes: Rago, Trzaska, Kelly, Martin, Krajecki and Pizzolato
 - Nays: None
 - Absent: Swalwell
- 4. Introduction of Liz Martin as new Chairperson
 - Commissioner Krajecki presented Commissioner Martin as the proposed Chairman of the BDC, awaiting appointment by the Village Board. The welcomes Commissioner Martin and will fully support moving forward.
- 5. Beautification Committee Report
 - Commissioner Krajecki discussed that the final work to the Garden Berry project is near completion as construction has shifted to the south side of the building.

- There have been little inquiries thus far for the year and Trustee Kelly suggested that the BDC may want to be proactive with outreach. In addition, banks in town have special financing for the Façade Program.
- Long-term, the BDC discussed the future of the Façade Program and opportunities for it to grow and/or change.
- In addition, Bill has been in touch with the way-finding signage vendor and is ready to present it to the BDC.
- 6. Final Discussion of the EDS Presentation to the Village Board
 - The Commission reviewed the presentation that was prepared to identify the structure and content for the review of the Economic Development Strategy to the Village Board on 5/18/23.
- 7. Discussion of Future Projects for the BDC
 - The Commission discussed ideas which included main street certification program, collective of associations/stakeholders across the village, land banking, green space areas, artistic murals and new business grants.
- 8. Hampshire's Very Own Current Order of Articles
 - 1. Krueger Accounting
 - 2. Iron Wok
 - 3. Hampshire Social
 - 4. Garden Berry
 - 5. Alfano's
- 7. Update on New or Existing Business Update
 - In the truck stop district, there is a potential retail/fleet buyer looking to come to the Village.
 - The Hampshire Park District is moving to the former Chiropractor's office on State St.
- 8. Adjournment
 - Commissioner Pizzolato moved to make a motion to adjourn at 8:40 pm.
 - Second by Commissioner Rago
 - Motion carried by voice vote:
 - Ayes: Krajecki, Kelly, Rago, Trzaska, Martin and Pizzolato
 - Nays: None
 - Absent: Swalwell