

Meeting Minutes
Business Development Commission
September 12, 2018
Hampshire Village Hall

Call to order at 6:30pm

Present: Commissioners Susie Kopacz, Eileen Fleury and David Pizzolato, Mike Armato, Trustee Ryan Krajecki, and Trustee Mike Reid

Meeting minutes from 8/22/18- David Pizzolato made a motion to approve minutes with a second by Susie Kopacz.

Downtown

Beautification Committee would like to purchase some flowers. The discussion is tabled till after the Village Board Meeting to find out more of a vision from the Village Board.

Susie had communication with members from Dixon, IL. Dixon has built up their downtown and some of the ideas they had for planning:

They created a vision plan including infrastructure issues. Business incubator program (helping new business ideas take off). Created an Arts, Entertainment and Dining district. Work with Chamber, Tourism and not for profit organizations. 10 year plan appealing to higher income bracket. 11 festivals a year. Businesses are multi functional. They designed a 10 year plan that helped tremendously.

Façade Program was discussed. Recommendations were made for changes/enhancements and Eileen will take the discussion back to the beautification committee.

Code Enforcement is needed.

Discussion on the cap on the dollar amount offered to each potential business owner. The committee decided on up to 75% with no cap on dollar amount.

No hardship clause will be included. A vote 3-2 to exclude

Potential Companies:

Dave: Bakeries and Grocery Stores have been contacted.

Ryan: Restaurants- made some contacts and has had some good feedback

Company Profile

Dreymiller was profiled last week and had a very good response from the community.

Next Article will be Copper Barrell.

Replacement for Gazzola/Zwemke

Ryan had 3 people that sent their resume in that are interested.

Eileen has 1. Ryan will send resumes out to discuss further.

David tabled Quarterly Business Consortium and Entrepreneurial Packet till next meeting.

Susie with the second.

Copper Barrell set for soft opening on 9/25. Lazar still on hold, target is spring. Loves project-Truck Country and Dayton freight and Speed Co. on schedule. Arby's is still a go. 9/24 on annexing property for Pet AG.

Palazzolos no plan in place

Motion to adjourn at 9:14pm by David and second Susie.

Motion to table the Entrepreneurial Packet to next meeting was made by David Pizzolato with a second by Susie Kopacz.

Eileen Fleury made a motion to adjourn with a second by David Pizzolato the meeting at 8:34pm.