

Special Economic Development Committee Meeting

Saturday, April 13, 2024, at 9:00 am
Village Hall
405 Main St. Peconica, IL

1. **Call to Order-** The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Collin Hardy at 9:00 am on Saturday, April 13, 2024.
2. **The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was recited.**
3. **Roll call –** Chair Collin Hardy, Trustee Kim Gipe, and Committee member Dawn Brattrud were present, Trustee Cheryl Bean, Committee members Jennifer Vanderjack, Nick McGee and Jack Stroup were absent.

Also in attendance Village President Tom Heister, Sue Schomber, and Darla Stram.

4. **Approve the Agenda-**

Motion made by Trustee Gipe seconded by Trustee Hardy to approve the agenda. A roll call vote was taken, all in favor motion approved.

5. **Public Comment-** None

6. **Approve March 11, 2024, Minutes-**

A motion was made by Trustee Gipe and seconded by Chairman Hardy to approve the March 11, 2024, Minutes. Discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted yes Motion approved.

7. **Discuss 2024 Farmers Market Program-**

Chairman Hardy gave an update on the Farmer's Market, the owners of Rosie's Coffee have agreed to run the market this year. They did ask that the name be changed to Peconica Farmer's Market and have the hours 8:00am – 12:00pm. It was also discussed that there may be a few nighttime markets depending on the vendor participation. The market is also scheduled to run from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

A motion was made by Trustee Gipe and seconded by Chairman Hardy to approve Rosie's Coffee to run the market. Discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted yes Motion approved.

A motion was made by Trustee Gipe and seconded by Chairman Hardy to move forward to order ten-yard signs from Meridian. Discussion. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted yes Motion approved.

8. **Review and Approve Memorial Day Street Closure--**

A motion was made by Trustee Gipe and seconded by Chairman Hardy to approve Memorial Day Parade Street Closure request for Monday May 27, 2024, from 8am-4pm, pending the

verification of insurance. Discussion. A roll call vote was taken, all in favor motion approved.

A motion was made by Trustee Gipe and seconded by Chairman Hardy to approve a donation to the Memorial Day Parade in the amount of \$1,200.00. Discussion. A roll call vote was taken, all in favor motion approved.

The committee discussed putting together a float for the Memorial Day Parade. Village President Heister will check on getting a wrap made to cover plywood boards for advertisement. Discussion.

9. Review Current Financials-

The committee discussed the current financials.

10. Discuss Labor Day Event-

Chairman Hardy informed the committee that the bank account has been opened for the event. This account was required for the 5K run and other expenses related to the event.

The Fireman barrel fights event is moving forward, and we are looking at the location of 3rd and Main Street. Committee Member Nick McGee will be heading this event.

The committee discussed the insurance coverage the Village carries and who would need to have additional insurance coverage. Bethany Kliner of Dimond Bros Insurance will attend the upcoming meeting and go over coverage and answer questions the committee may have.

The committee discussed again including the local groups, organizations, clubs, and businesses involved and have them promoted as they would like.

The committee discussed a street dance for the evening of the event. Chairman Hardy discussed contacting the Brockway Brothers for the event. Their rate is 450.00 for four hours. Discussion. A motion was made by Trustee Gipe and seconded by Chairman Hardy to move forward with contacting The Brockway Brothers and reserve the date. Discussion. Village President Heister has spoken with Bay Valley as a sponsor for this event. A roll call vote was taken. All present voted yes. Motion approved.

The committee discussed contacting the local businesses regarding food trucks at the event. The committee is committed to offering a different variety of options that would not offer the same items as our current businesses.

The committee discussed contacting companies that offer portable restrooms.

This discussion will be on the upcoming agenda to continue the planning process. Trustee Gipe will continue to update the planning spreadsheet and bring it back to the next meeting.

11. Next Meeting –Meeting Monday May 13, 2024

13. Adjournment- A motion made by Trustee Gipe seconded by Chairman Hardy to adjourn. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 10:26 am.