

Economic Development Committee Meeting

Thursday, November 14, 2024, at 6:00 pm
Village Hall
405 Main St. Pecatonica, IL

1. **Call to Order-** The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Collin Hardy at 6:00 pm on Thursday, November 14, 2024.

2. **The Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag was recited.**

3. **Roll call-** Chair Collin Hardy, Trustee Kim Gipe, and Committee Members; Nick McGee, Jack Stroup, Dawn Bratrud, and Jennifer Vanderjack were present. Trustee Cheryl Bean was absent.

Also in attendance: Admin assistant Jordan Hartman, Heather Squires, and Tonya Wurtzel.

4. **Additions or Corrections to Agenda – None.**

5. **Approve the Agenda -**

Motion made by Trustee Gipe seconded by Committee Member McGee to approve the agenda. A roll call vote was taken. All in favor. Motion approved 6-0-1.

6. **Public Comment - None**

7. **Approve October 21, 2024, Minutes -**

A motion was made by Trustee Gipe and seconded by Committee Member Stroup to approve October 21, 2024, Minutes. No Discussion. A roll call vote was taken. Motion approved. 6-0-1

8. **Heather Squires from the Women's Club to discuss street closure for "Christmas Elf Camp"**

Heather Squires discussed the timeline of events for the Christmas Elf Camp. Heather asked for the parking lot to be blocked off and around the parking lot to be blocked off. Kim Gipe expressed her concerns with the safety of blocking off only fourth street. Kim suggested blocking off main from 5th to 3rd. Kim Gipe makes a motion to approve the street closure for the Women's club to close Main from 3rd to 5th street and the alley on 4th street from 1-6 pm. Closure for municipal lot from 6am-6pm. Committee Member Stroup seconded the motion. No Discussion. A roll call vote was taken. Motion approved. 6-0-1.

9. **Presentation of Website -**

Admin Assistant Hartman presented the new website to the Economic Development committee. A discussion was held regarding potential items to fix and/or adjust as needed. Collin suggested it would be nice if there is a way we can add a link to our website for places for sale in town.

10. **Discuss Beautification of Downtown District**

A discussion was held regarding the corner of 4th and Main Street. Collin suggested getting quotes on landscaping for that area. Collin suggested to table to a meeting towards early spring.

11. Discuss Property on Pec Road

A discussion was held regarding the vacant property on Pec Road. The Village Board recommended that this topic be sent to the Economic Development Committee. Collin suggested that we wait until the contract is up to look more seriously. Tabled to the next meeting and asked committee members to think on it and bring ideas back to the next meeting.

12. Next Meeting Date Monday, December 9, 2024.

13. Adjournment –

A motion was made by Trustee Gipe and seconded by Committee Member McGee to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved 6-0-1. Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.