

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

E8795 Evergreen Lane

Baraboo, Wisconsin

Monday, January 28, 2013

Members present: Marty Krueger, Donna Stehling, Dave Riek, Joe Fish, Dennis Polivka, Gerry Lehman, Brian Peper
Members absent: none
Others present: Kathy Schauf, Tim Stieve, Harley Rogers, Laurie Hasenbalg, Russell Hasenbalg, Mary Ellen Murray, Peter Murray, Patrice Rhodes, Pat Weber, Bryan Miller, Nathan Miller, Scott Rohde, Lisa Gilbertson, Jennifer Grant, Jeff Seering, Mike Clark, Helen Clark, Mike White, Peggy White, William Stehling, Geoffrey Grant, Kurt Muchow, Kerry Zimmerman, Chip Meister, Jeff Spencer

The meeting was called to order and certification of Open Meeting compliance was given at 6:30 p.m. **The agenda was approved on a motion by Peper, second by Polivka.**

The meeting minutes from the prior meeting(s) were approved on a motion by Riek, second by Lehman. Motion carried.

Communications

Joint meeting on February 18, 2013, prior to Board to hear presentation from the Fox-Wisconsin Heritage Parkway.

Discussion and consideration of potential uses /re-uses of the closed landfill property - Stakeholder input.

A review of site and current governmental uses was given by T. Stieve. He noted that contamination at the site was not above enforceable standards.

Public Comment from surrounding land owners. They want to preserve the rural way of life and appreciate the quiet. They do not want to see expanded use of the site by either Sauk County or the public at large.

Input from Town of Excelsior officials. Consensus that they desire no further development of recreational or governmental activities for the property. Expressed opposition to the acquisition of more land. Expressed support for continued clean sweep's at the site. Discussed request to utilize the closed solid waste site for brush collection for the Town.

Economic Development Committee Input. Discussion was centered around re-use of the property for expanded recreational uses – with consensus that the property is not suited to such a use. There was no interest in developing alternative uses that would increase traffic to the area.

Report from Trails Sub-Committee.

D. Stehling updated the committee on tour of the area in the Sauk and Prairie communities that would incorporate the "trail". The subgroup is waiting for the state to indicate that they are ready for local efforts to move forward based on their planning and negotiations.

Consideration and discussion of the "Broadband Demand Survey" Webinar. Motion by Discussion of projects and priorities. Postponed to next meeting.

Motion by Lehman, second by Fish, to adjourn the meeting to February 25, 2013. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Stehling
Economic Development Committee Secretary