

Economic Development Committee Meeting

**Monday, January 13, 2020 at 6:00 pm
Village Hall 405 Main St. Pecatonica, IL**

1. **Call to Order** Chairman Marilyn Wilke called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm on Monday, January 13, 2020 at Village Hall.
2. **Roll call** -. Trustees Marilyn Wilke, Paula Hachmeister, Jennifer Johnson, and Kathy Doty were present along with Committee members Bob Squires and Jeff Sterling. Village President Bill Smull, and Margaret Larson, were absent.

Others Present: Chris Johnson

3. **Additions/Corrections to the Agenda-** None
4. **Approve Minutes for December 9, 2019** – A motion made to approve the minutes for December 9, 2019 by Jennifer Johnson second by Trustee Hachmeister. All members vote aye. Motion passes.
5. **Public Comment: None**
6. **Chair for February Meeting-** Marilyn informed the committee that she will not be here for the February meeting. The Committee discussed it, and a chairman would have to be appointed the night of the meeting.
7. **Review Financial Reports-** The committee review current financials.
8. **Receipt of Winnebago County Host Fees-** Marilyn informed the committee that the Village was approved for a \$50,000.00 grant from Winnebago County and gave the current status.
9. **Upcoming Budgeting-** Discussed the upcoming budget, including the loan repayment for the street light project. They also discussed the grant program, flag program along with other community events that they will need to budget for.

Discussion to replace the Farmer's Market Banners, the banners will need to be purchased to replace the current Farmer's market banners. Trustee Hachmeister discussed the cost of replacing the banners it was approximately \$250.00. Discussion, A motion made by Kathy Doty with a second by Paula Hachmeister to allow Paula to follow up and make purchase of the banners. Roll Call, Paula Hachmeister yes, Jennifer Johnson no, Marilyn Wilke yes. 2-1-0 motion passes.

10. **Memorial Plaque for Light Poles-** They discussed attaching the memorial plaques to the cement base on the poles. Kathy Doty to work with Public works to discuss the best options on where plaques to be placed. Discussion to continue at upcoming meetings.

11. **Discuss ideas for new retail development-** The committee discussed creating a list of open storefronts help potential retailer with access to open properties within the downtown district. The committee discussed businesses they would like to see come to Pecatonica. This discussion will continue at upcoming meetings.
12. **Andrew Chesney-** Marilyn discussed having Andrew Chesney attend a future meeting or Town Hall Event to share our ideas and bring awareness to possibilities in Pecatonica. She will contact his office and try to set something up.
13. **New Business-** none
14. **Showcase Business of the Month –** Anpec was selected as the Showcase Business of the month.
15. **Adjournment -** A motion made by Trustee Hachmeister and seconded by Trustee Johnson to adjourn at 7:05 p.m.