



Township of Pittsgrove

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Economic Development Committee

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Minutes of January 5, 2011 Reorganization Meeting

Attendees: Gary Smith, Chairman
Ramona Pontelandolfo, Vice Chairman
Fred Laning, Regular Member
Billie Furdyna, Regular Member
Eric Krwawecz, Regular Member
Deon Henry, Regular Member
Stanley Wojculewski, Deputy Mayor
Casie Rathbone, Secretary

Absent: Peter Voros

Gary Smith called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm and read the Statement of Compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act (Sunshine Law). The flag salute and roll call followed.

MEMBERSHIP

The EDC members reappointed Deon Henry.

The EDC members agreed to have Stanley Wojculewski and Peter Voros as the Township Committee Representatives.

DESIGNATION OF ALTERNATES:

No alternates were needed to be appointed.

OFFICERS APPOINTMENTS

Gary Smith was appointed Chairmen of EDC. Eric Krwawecz made the first motion and Fred Laning making the seconds motion. All in Favor.

Ramona Pontelandolfo was appointed Vice Chairmen of EDC by Billie Furdyna making the first motion and Fred Laning seconds the motion. All in Favor.

Casie Rathbone was appointed Secretary of EDC by Gary Smith making the first motion and Fred Laning seconds the motion. All in Favor.

DESIGNATION OF MEETING DATES, TIMES, AND PLACE FOR 2011

The meeting will be held at 7:30 pm in the Pittsgrove Township Municipal Building on the first Wednesday of every other month.

DATES:

January 5, 2011

March 2, 2011

May 4, 2011

July 6, 2011

September 7, 2011

November 2, 2011

January 4, 2011

Ramona Pontelandolfo made the first motion and Eric Krwawecz seconds the motion. All in Favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from the September meeting were approved by Ramona Pontelandolfo making the first motion and Eric Krwawecz seconds the motion. All in Favor.

The minutes from the November meeting were approved by Ramona Pontelandolfo making the first motion and Eric Krwawecz seconds the motion. All in Favor.

The minutes from the Special Meeting were tabled.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

(Was covered in Annual Report- Attached)

NEW BUSINESS

(Was covered in Annual Report- Attached)

2010 Membership list was reviewed and updated.

EDC members have no interest in going to the Economic Development Strategic Plan and Project Financing Seminar.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Farmers Market:

Ramona Pontelandolfo wants to set up a meeting with the local farmers to see if the farmers are interested in a Farmers Market. She thought that Pittsgrove Day would be a great start to see if the Farmers Market is well worth it. Deon suggested having the farmers out at National Night Out.

ADJOURNMENT

At 9:00 p.m. Eric Krwawecz made a motion to adjourn. Ramona Pontelandolfo seconds the motion. All in Favor.



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2011 ANNUAL REPORT

This annual report is subject to approval by the Pittsgrove Township Committee who can accept the report's recommendations, request modifications, or direct additional actions. The EDC will pursue the recommendations as listed unless and until the Township Committee disapproves them or provides additional instructions.

2010 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

With respect to the recommended goals for 2010, the EDC accomplished the following:

1. Landis Avenue Redevelopment:

- a. RDA-1 Redevelopment Plan - Begin implementation of the plan.
 - STATUS: ONGOING. No progress due to poor economic environment.
- b. - Continue efforts to secure grant funding to demolish the mill and prepare it for development. If successful, coordinate the implementation of the demolition.
 - STATUS: ONGOING. An application for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) was again pursued. No progress due to poor economic environment.
- c. Rail Siding - Continue efforts to secure grant funding to construct a rail siding behind the mill to service RDA-1.
 - STATUS: ONGOING. The committee made contact with the NJDOT contact, Dominic Critelli. He recommended speaking with Fred Winkler who is the General Agent for Winchester and Western Railroad in Bridgeton, New Jersey. We the process for initiating the paperwork for a rail grant for the area known as the Norma Feed Mill on Landis Avenue was discussed. He was not familiar with the application process but offered any assistance he could and recommended to contact Timothy G. Chelius, Executive Director of the local area Metropolitan Planning Organization.
- d. Water and Waste Water Issues – Renew efforts to coordinate a meeting between the Township, DCA, DEP, DoT and others to discuss Township water and sewage issues along with environmental and redevelopment issues, and meet with Dynatec Systems, Inc. who specializes in wastewater systems.
 - STATUS: INCOMPLETE. This action was not pursued during 2010.

2. Brownfield Development Area: Continue efforts to clean up contaminated properties in the township through the creation of a Brownfield Development Area.
 - STATUS: INCOMPLETE. Currently developing a list of contractors to solicit in order to reapply.
3. Township Calendar: Implement a contract to design, create, print, and deliver to the Post Office ready for mailing to residents the 2011 Township calendar. Some sponsorship of the calendar was obtained.
 - STATUS: COMPLETE. The calendar updates were completed and printing with changes from the Township reorganization meeting was completed in early January 2011 and mailed in mid January 2011. With EDC oversight, GraphiColor used the 2010 calendar files as a template along with input from the EDC and the various township departments to create, print, and deliver to the Post Office the 2011 Township calendar. The professional design software, Adobe InDesign, was again used. The cover and centerfold display highlighted farmland preservation.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2011:

The EDC recommends the following goals for 2011:

1. Landis Avenue Redevelopment:
 - a. RDA-1 Redevelopment Plan - Continue implementation of the plan.
 - b. Norma Feed Mill - Continue efforts to secure grant funding to demolish the mill and prepare it for development. Obtain updated estimates for demolition. If successful, coordinate the implementation of the demolition.
 - c. Rail Siding - Continue efforts to secure grant funding with support from the local area Metropolitan Planning Organization to construct a rail siding behind the mill to service RDA-1.
2. Water and Waste Water Issues – Renew efforts to coordinate a meeting between the Township, DCA, DEP, DoT and others to discuss Township water and sewage issues along with environmental and redevelopment issues.
3. Brownfield Development Area: Continue efforts to clean up contaminated properties in the township through the creation of a Brownfield Development Area.
4. Farmers Co-op Meeting Coordinate with local farmers by meeting or mail to establish if there is a desire for a Farmers Market Day - either a single event or recurring on a regular basis.