



Township of Pittsgrove

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Economic Development Committee

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 3, 2020 – 7 P.M.

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1. The meeting was called to order by Ramona Pontelandolfo at 7:08 P.M. via the Zoom Platform.
2. Flag Salute
3. Roll Call – Members in Attendance were:
 - Ramona Pontelandolfo, Chair-person
 - Eric Krwawecz, Regular Member
 - Jay Einstein, Regular Member
 - Gary Smith, Regular Member
 - Fred Laning, Regular Member
 - Sarah Johnson, Alternate Member
 - Jake Botticello, Township Committee liaison, as well as Katy Bofinger, secretary, were also in attendance.

The following members were not in attendance; Eric Mihalecz.
4. Designation of Alternates – Designation of Alternates – none needed
5. The minutes from the May 6 regular meeting were approved upon a motion of Jay Einstein and seconded by Gary Smith. All in favor.
6. Unfinished Business:
 - a. Discussion about the trade school project and possible grant opportunities. Jake Botticello shared information about how a grant from the USEDA could be used to acquire land and develop a facility that could be leased long-term to a trade school with no township management responsibilities. This type of grant would require 20% of the needed funds to be paid by the township, with 80% from the grant. Letters from interested businesses as well as plans to hire graduates in our area would be required for our grant application to be competitive. Members agreed that this is a large undertaking that goes away from the original intent. More discussion is needed with the grant writers and interested businesses.
 - b. Discussion about Feed Mill Progress and possible development with Giordano's recycling.
 - c. Discussion about the inventory property project and a new listing of 80+ acres on Rt. 40/Fork Bridge road that is zoned Highway Planned Business.
7. New Business/Open Discussion:
 - a. Discussion about the "Shop Local" signs that were created by the Salem County Chamber of Commerce. Several have already been distributed to our businesses, but not all have received them.
 - Jay Einstein made a motion to use EDC funds to acquire 25 signs for our businesses, the motion was seconded by Sarah Johnson, all in favor.
8. Gary Smith made a motion to adjourn at 8:07 pm, it was seconded by Jay Einstein. All in favor.

Secretary