

06-06-13

Economic Development Committee

Meeting was called to order by Chairman John Bernstein at 6:30 AM at Brodhead City Hall.

Present were, John Bernstein, Barb Krattiger, Rich Vogel, Doug Pinnow, Jeff Peterson, Ric Genthe, Barb Clark and Kari Newcomer.

Absent were Anna Schramke and Mark Coplien

Minutes from May meeting were read by Barb Clark motion to approve by Ric Genthe, second by Kari Newcomer, motion carried.

John reported that the City Council appointments to committees were postponed until the next City Council meeting.

Barb Krattiger handed out a listing of all businesses and buildings that are for sale in Brodhead. Jeff provided us a map with the TIF district so we know the boundaries.

Anna has resigned from the GCDC as of June 30th but has indicated to Barb K that she will still do our website page for our committee. John B will call her to confirm this and Barb K and Kari N will meet with someone from the website technical committee to make sure we have a layout and our page is up by August 1, 2013.

Rich V gave an update on Pearl Island Project and Kari let us view pictures that her neighbor had taken of plants and animals and butterflies along the race. It was discussed that maybe one of the students would be interested in doing a project for Pearl Island as their senior project. Ric Genthe will call the school principal and convey this message.

Middle School project was discussed and e-mails to and from the Ripp brothers were read prior to meeting. Much discussion was held and the committee asked Doug if he would reach out to the Ripp brothers one more time and ask them if they are interested in bringing business to Brodhead. Doug graciously said that he would give them a call. It was pointed out that no apology was needed in response to their e-mail but the committee felt it was the right thing to reach out one more time.

There were more funding meetings to be scheduled for July for the current Middle School owner but he called them off not the City.

Karen Williams has requested TIF funds for her project on 1st Center Ave in Brodhead.

June 24th is the next meeting with the BID, and Chamber and it will be held at the Library.

Next meeting will be held July 11th due to the 4th being a holiday.

Motion to adjourn at 8:00 AM Barb K, second by Ric G, motion carried.

