

Economic Development Committee Meeting

Monday, July 12, 2021 at 6:00 pm

Village Hall 405 Main St. Pecatonica, IL

1. **Call to Order-** The meeting was called to order by Committee Chairman Marilyn Wilke at 6:00 pm on Monday July 12, 2021.
2. **Roll call –** Chairman Marilyn Wilke, Trustees Kathy Doty, and Gerald Howard Committee Member Jeff Sterling, Bob Squires, and Margaret Larson were present. Village President Bill Smull and John Wise were absent
3. **Additions/Corrections to the Agenda-** Add Discuss Gazette and Pecatonica Playhouse
4. **Public Comment-** None
5. **Approve Minutes for June 14 2021-** A motion made by Jeff Sterling second by Bob Squires to approve the June 14, 2021 minutes. A roll call was taken. All present voted yes. Motion approved.
6. **Review Current Financial Reports-** The committee reviewed both the end of year financials and the current financials. Marilyn Wilke to follow up with Joe Musso to get a better count on proposed flag purchases. Discussion.
7. **Banners for Light Poles-** the Historic Down town banners are hung and Kathy Doty will check with Nick Berry Public Works Director to see if they will also be hung. Discussion.
8. **Memorial Plaques for Light Post-Review spreadsheet of old plaques-** The committee reviewed the plaques that have been purchased and also discussed going to businesses to see if they would be interested in purchasing a plaque in front of their business. The committee will purchase a plaque to replace the plaque that was previously purchased in memory of Paul Herbig. Jeff Sterling to follow up with Laura Wiegert at Pecatonica Pharmacy to see if she would like to purchase one. Discussion.
9. **Status of signs for Farmers Market-** Kathy Doty gave an update on the two sided signs for Farmer's Market. The signs we received did not include the location of the Farmer's Market, they are being reprinted at a cost of 8 signs for \$20.00 each. Discussion.
10. **New Business-** Christopher Johnson contacted Marilyn Wilke from the Gazette to discuss things going on within the village. He is still writing for the Gazette and plans to continue. Discussion. The committee discussed the current situation with the Pecatonica Playhouse and the Heritage Committee. They discussed potential changes to the down town district pros and cons for both options. The committee will send an invite to both committees to speak at the September Economic Development Meeting to present both sides. Discussion.
11. **Adjournment -** meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.