

**City of Lodi Economic Development Committee Meeting
Minutes of September 8, 2020**

Call to Order.

Chair Hansen called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Committee Members Present: Rich Stevenson and Eric Hansen

Excused: Peter Tonn

Others Present: Julie Ostrander, Mayor Ann Groves Lloyd, Brenda Ayers, Terry Weter

Virtual Etiquette Announcement. Hansen reviewed virtual etiquette for the meeting.

Public Input. None.

Approve Minutes and Closed Session Minutes from August 11, 2020. MOTION (Stevenson/Hansen) to approve the regular and Closed Session minutes from August 11, 2020. **Motion carried.**

Financials. Stevenson questioned the revolving loan balance sheet. Ostrander noted the cash balance is a little over \$8,000.

Update from Lodi Lake Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce. Mayor Groves Lloyd reported the Chamber Board is meeting later in the week to discuss distributing Susie the Duck Day funds, rent/utility bill assistance for local businesses and business trick or treat day.

Update from Ice Age Trail Community.

Onofrey provided a written report. Groves Lloyd also reported that her livestream from the previous week featured Bill Welch and Monty the Mammoth. Groves Lloyd also recorded a message for the Mammoth Challenge.

Update on TIF Shortfalls and Collection of Money Owed to the City. Attorney Paul Johnson and Greg Johnson from Ehlers have reviewed the agreements and the proposed amendments have been discussed with the developers.

Material for City Housing and Business Opportunity (Downtown Map). No update.

Economic Development Grant. Groves Lloyd reported on the grant that historically has been given to Lodi Canning to reimburse sewer fees. Attorney Johnson is drafting an agreement for future rebates out of the wastewater utility.

Ostrander reported on a new TIF request and the connection of the property to the City's sewer. Stevenson noted an exemption was given for sewer connection to wait until the street is reconstructed. DOT plans do not indicate if the concrete will be replaced as part of the construction. It was recommended that the connection to sewer would be a requirement in order to receive TIF support. Ostrander noted that Ehlers will need to update the TIF documents to include the sewer connection.

Business Contact Update.

- Shell Station- planned to open September 1st. Appears that has been delayed due to the plan to replace the gas tanks on the property.
- 111 Main St- there is an accepted offer on the property. New owner plans to operate a restaurant/bar.
- Kwik Trip Expansion- Groves Lloyd reported on a meeting with the Kwik Trip corporate office regarding their plans to expand the existing site. In addition to the expansion they will also update their electricity from single to triple phase. They are also working on a parking plan for the site.

Next Meeting and Agenda Items. The next meeting will be Tuesday, October 13, 2020 at 4 p.m. at City Hall. Ostrander noted the agenda could possibly include a closed session to discuss additional information from Ehlers regarding the new TIF request.

Adjourn. MOTION (Stevenson/Hansen) to adjourn at 4:37 p.m. **Motion carried.**

Minutes by Brenda Ayers, City Clerk

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