

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 21, 2024 – 6:00PM (HYBRID)

Present: Kitty, Kiefer, Robert Schaufelberger and Tom Shachtman. Absent: Ward Belcher and Carol Sadlon.

1. **Approve Agenda. So Moved** by R. Schaufelberger, seconded by T. Shachtman, **with All in Favor.**
2. **Approve Minutes of April 17, 2024 and July 17, 2024. So Moved** by R. Schaufelberger, seconded by K. Kiefer, **with All in Favor.**
3. Update and EV charging possibilities in Township -- R. Schaufelberger mentioned that he got Frontier fiber service, as did T. Shachtman. The SEDC would like to hear from people who do not have fiber access on their street yet; the SEDC is always interested in connectivity. The EV chargers at the Grove are in a holding pattern; the PZC will not allow the conditions set to be bypassed, including combining the lots at the Grove. K. Kiefer will talk to Curtis Rand about this.
4. Discussion: POCD Draft. K. Kiefer wants the EDC to be aware of what is in the plan, which is still being worked on. A Public Information Meeting has been scheduled for late September. T. Shachtman asked when the EDC could comment on the plan and suggested that the lengthy document should have an executive summary. R. Schaufelberger commented that the POCD responded well to the survey and to the explanations. T. Shachtman expressed that the POCD does not sufficiently address business issues, such as retail, and that the Colliers Study was limited in scope. T. Shachtman added that the recommendations need to be prioritized and suggested that the EDC should participate in that discussion. The members agreed that there does need to be an order of importance, to get things done. R. Schaufelberger and K. Kiefer will speak to C. Rand to address these concerns. This discussion will be a recurring agenda item.
5. T. Shachtman Update on trash, compost and the future in the NW corner – comments included: the increasing costs of trash removal will put pressure on the mill rate and the transfer station could easily expand the food waste composting operation. K. Kiefer commented that expanding the composting operation would probably take place at a different site. Other ideas for trash removal and compost sites were mentioned.
6. Additional items from Committee members – T. Shachtman brought up the idea of expanding the EDC by adding 2 additional members.
7. Public Comment – None
8. **Adjournment. So Moved** by R. Schaufelberger, seconded by T. Shachtman, **With All in Favor.**