

ECDC: Economic & Community Development Committee

Tuesday December 3rd, 2024 5:00 PM

Committee Members Present: Phil Lehmann and Terry Schuster.

Also, present: City Manager Darin DeHaan, Cheryl Hilton, and Chris Manheim.

Present via Zoom: PJ Caposey, Kim Ewoldsen, and Erin Folk.

Absent: Mike Glenn, Don Griffin, Rebecca Hazzard, and Chance Munroe.

Terry Schuster called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Terry Schuster called roll call. A quorum was not present.

No public comment.

Oregon and County Economic Development: The Ogle County Economic Development Committee completed the evaluation process with Charlene Coulombe. They asked her to complete a strategic vision for the first quarter of next year. Chris Manheim provided a brief synopsis of his report. He continues to work on retail and commercial sites that are available as well as any prospects for those locations.

Overview of October 23rd Workshop: The committee discussed creating a sub-committee or work group consisting of people between the ages of 18 and 35. The group could help with identifying areas of growth needed to attract young people to the community as well as retaining and engaging youth already here. The group will need a well-defined mission.

Meeting adjourned at 6:04 PM.

Submitted by City Clerk Cheryl Hilton