



## **Minutes: Economic Development Advisory Committee January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Middle Smithfield Township Economic Development Advisory Committee was held on January 13<sup>th</sup>, at the Schoonover Municipal Building Joe Memoli (Chairperson) presiding, and Patrice Dume as recording secretary.

**Board Members:** Beverly Brown, Chris Barrett (absent), Joe Memoli, Anthony Homer and Gina Bertucci

**Absent:**

**Township Staff:** Annette Atkinson, Supervisor/Admin & Ops Dir., Patrice Dume, Economic Development Manager

**Township Residents/Guests:**

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm with Joe Memoli presiding.

### **Minutes and Agenda**

- Joe motioned to accept the December minutes, Beverly Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried 4 -0.

### **Correspondence**

- No correspondence

### **New Business**

#### **Reorganization**

- There was general discussion about the reorganization of the committee. The following are the new appointees:
  - Vice Chair: Anthony Homer
  - Secretary: Beverly Brown
- There was general discussion about bylaws and committee member attendance.
- Annette mentioned that everyone should have all of each other's phone numbers.
- Committee members exchanged their numbers.

#### **Shop Local Survey Results**

- Patrice circulated the Shop Local Survey results for the committee.
- Patrice mentioned that the program was a success, with over 400 active cards, not including the cards that were not activated. There was also positive feedback from business owners, and residents.

#### **Meeting with Elizabeth Recap**

- Anthony and Patrice discussed their meeting with Elizabeth Wise, President at Lehigh Valley Health Network.
- They mentioned that the meeting was to share the concern and need for medical in Middle Smithfield Township, and there were some ideas that were put on the table.
- Patrice mentioned that Elizabeth is interested in the Community Center that the township is building and they may test something in center, when it opens.

#### Busiss Updates

- Patrice gave an update on Pub570 and the possibility of it being sold soon. There was general discussion about Pub570
- Annette gave an update on the golf course and the RFP that was sent our for realtors.
- There was general discussion about the existing businesses and what businesses the committee would like to see come to the township.

#### Announcements:

#### Discussion:

#### Public Comments:

**Next meeting date: March 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. Meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.**