



# *Economic Development Commission*

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## MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

Wednesday, April 23, 2014

4:00 p.m.

CJH Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

**Present:** Michael Boyle, Chairman, Noel Gill, Bonnie Brown, and Kevin McMahon. Also in attendance was Janice Chrzescijanek, Economic Director.

**Call to order:** Michael Boyle called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**Public Comment:** None

**Approval of Minutes:** Kevin McMahon made a motion, which was seconded by Noel Gill, to approve the minutes of March 19, 2014 as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

**Economic Directors Report:** Janice Chrzescijanek reported on a variety of topics:

She made over 90 personal introductions to new and existing businesses and noted that the Downtown Improvement Subcommittee met and discussed the grant opportunity and suggestions for downtown improvements.

The video being prepared by CGI Communication is complete and is anticipated to be on the website in the next few weeks. The business directory is complete as well and will list approximately 1500 businesses and will be on the website shortly. The paper directory is anticipated to be distributed in May.

The Municipal Training – Fundamentals of Municipal Economic Development Workshop was held on April 10<sup>th</sup> with 25 participants.

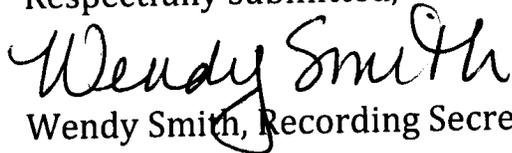
Approval was received for Phase I and II for the Park Expansion. The Bonding Commission will meet at the end of May. Milone & MacBroom have conducted several initial surveys and testing on the property.

It was agreed to discuss the Rules & Regulations at the next meeting.

Planning & Zoning held a Public Hearing last evening on the proposal to amend the zoning regulations to include crematoriums in an IP zone; it was noted that there were comments both for and against the zone change. Planning & Zoning has continued the hearing until May 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Adjourn:** As there was no further business on today's agenda, Bonnie Brown made a motion, which was seconded by Roy Steiner, to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wendy Smith". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped initial "W".

Wendy Smith, Recording Secretary