

Economic Development Committee Meeting Town of Bridgeville Agenda Minutes Wednesday, May 16, 2018, 3:00 p.m. Town Hall Meeting Room

1. Attending: Richard Grinnell, James Speegle, Jane Houtman, Donna Moore, Sue Grenier, Bob Lewis and Deborah Brown.

Absent: Lawrence Tassone, Harris Mager and Charles Smith.

Also Attending: Dawn Hopkins, Small Business Advocate, for the Delaware Division of Small Business.

- II. Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the April 18, 2018 meeting were approved.
- III. EDC Financials

Richard discussed financials with the Committee.

IV. Old Business

- A. Fabulous 4th Friday events
 - a. Food: Jane & Richard discussed the food vendors with the Committee.
 - **b. Liquor License/insurance:** Richard stated that he was been working with Town Manager Savage regarding the insurance and license. Richard stated that he talked to Jeff's Taproom and is working with him in regards to the alcohol.
 - **c. Music:** Bob discussed bands/music with the Committee.
 - d. Vendors: Jane & Richard discussed vendors with the Committee.
 - **e. Signs:** Richard stated that Ashley will be making additional signs. The Committee discussed advertising.
- **B.** Vibrancy and Façade Grants- Richard stated that he was trying to get another quote regarding the up lighting.
- **C.** Town sign Replacement on Hwy 13- Richard gave the Committee an update on the signs. Richard stated the Commissioners were fine with replacing the signs but they do not want the rocking chair on it. Richard stated that the "Delaware's Front Porch" will be on the signs. The committee discussed porch scenes.

- **D. Bike Trail Contest-** Richard stated that the winning name is "Home Town Bike Trail" and that it was presented to the Commission. Sue stated that the Name will be announced on May 19th and the ceremony. Sue stated that the winner will receive a gift basket full of gift cards. The Committee discussed advertising.
- **E. Town Welcome Center Church Mouse Discussion**-The Committee discussed having a Town Welcome Center in the Church Mouse. The Committee discussed signage for the Welcome Center.
- **F.** Comprehensive Plan comments-Richard discussed the Economic Development part of the Draft comp. plan and that he needs comments from the Committee.

V. New Business

A. Weathered Treasures Grant question: Richard stated that Weathered Treasures is asking if any grant money is available and discussed with the committee what Weathered Treasures is proposing to do. The committee discussed whether they had the funds available. The Committee decided that right now they do not have grant money available but will look into it for the future.

VI. Committee Members Comments:

Donna stated that she noticed how many properties are for sale on the highway between Bridgeville and Seaford.

The Committee discussed ideas for the old Police Station.

The Committee discussed working with a Commercial Real Estate Agent.

VII. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 04:27 PM.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at 3:00 pm at Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Walls, Transcriptionist