



## Webster Economic Development Alliance

### Meeting Minutes from April 6th 2017

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#### **PRESENT:**

Matt Chatfield, Ron Nesbitt, Darryl Byerts, Barry Howard, Robyn Whittaker, Carmen Gumina, Ann Kowal, Greg Chambery, Ginny Nancy, John Cahill, Janine Sanger

Meeting was called to order at 7:34am by President Ron Nesbitt

**Presentation by DFCC:** Ginny and Janine gave an update on Webster's Drug Free Community Coalition and their efforts to get the word out about their initiative. They were looking for leaders of the community to help with adult perception surveys about the issues within the community as related to drugs, alcohol and tobacco. They are working on a plan to distribute the surveys and asked the five entities within WEDA to help with promoting the effort. All agreed they would do what they could to help.

#### **Minutes:**

Motion to approve minutes from March's meeting from Barry Howard second by John Cahill

#### **Financial Report:**

Barry Howard acting as treasurer has adapted the financials to Quickbooks so reporting will be more detailed. A payroll adjustment was the only discussion on the balance sheet and John Cahill motioned for approval with a second from Robyn Whittaker

#### **Staff Activity Summary:**

The push for the rezoning for the Brittany Woods project was successful. Greg Chambery suggested WEDA get in on the front piece of projects so we could begin a vetting process before a project goes before a board to see which project the group wants to get behind. Matt Chatfield will develop an internal protocol for future projects and Ron Nesbitt will include Matt on the Project Review Committee meetings. The group discussed a possible letter to Xerox releasing our involvement with the West Campus situation. Chilled water project still in the consulting phase and possible project on the corner of Jackson and Ridge with the Daniele Family Corp.

#### **By Laws Discussion:**

Barry Howard will contact the lawyer to check on the status of the By-Laws change.

#### **Round Table:**



Chamber networking event tonight from 5-7:30 at Marina Dodge. Power Hour on Twitter scheduled for tomorrow morning at 8am. Alex Lyon from Brockport College will be the speaker for the 4/28 breakfast meeting.

John Cahill talked Village was busy with CAD and Budgets at the moment. Charlie Fitzsimmons submitted application for the projects on East Main St. R Salon to move to the project area slated for May 1st. Comprehensive study for the sewage treatment plant to begin and the cell tower should be in place mid July.

Robyn Whittaker stated the BID is gearing up for their season and is in the process of elections and census. The summer schedule is set with the Movies, Concerts and Jazz Fest. One wine walk, a Pub Crawl featuring beers and a Bourbon bash is all in place for the upcoming season. The BID has secured an intern for the season and is looking forward to a more active season.

Carmen Gumina noted that Webster was awarded for Best Community for Music Education. Community Arts day is Saturday April 9th and they are attempting to finalize budget but unfortunately have to wait for the State budget before doing so.

Ron Nesbitt stated the town offices were moving to 1002 Ridge Rd in May for a temporary 6 months shutdown to rehab the current town hall. Highway crews are working feverishly to pick up brush left from the recent storm. The Sand Bar project went out to bid and we had received \$118,000 grant towards the project. RFP for an architect for the new lodge.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:44am motioned by Barry Howard and 2nd by Ron Nesbitt

**Next Meeting:** Thursday, May 4th 2017 – 7:30 A.M. / Webster Chamber of Commerce.

Respectfully submitted,

*Robyn Whittaker*

Secretary, WEDA  
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