

Village of Indian Head Park
201 Acacia Drive
Indian Head Park, IL 60525

Economic Development Committee Meeting – Minutes

6:30pm May 17th, 2022

Meeting Location – Village Hall

A meeting of the Economic Development Committee of the Village of Indian Head Park was held on May 17th, 2022 at Village Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm

The following were present:

Committee Chair/Trustee Eileen Donnersberger
Committee Member Trustee Shawn Kennedy
Committee Member Susan Herley
Committee Member Craig Fisher
Committee Member Jim Merrion
Committee Member Kate Boyle
Village Trustee Charlie Eck
Village Administrator John DuRocher
Assistant Village Administrator Andy Ferrini
Administrative Clerk Lisa Bujak

The following were discussed:

- I. The Committee reviewed the minutes from the previous Economic Development Committee meeting which took place on April 19th, 2022. Trustee Kennedy motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Committee Member Fisher. The motion carried unanimously.
 - a. IHP Plaza Façade Improvement Update
Village Staff have been working on getting a drawing and quotes. Andy Ferrini spoke with Altus, they can provide a drawing by September, 2022. After drawings are submitted, it will take about 6 weeks to get a quote. An RFQ (Request for Qualifications) is required for all work costing the Village more than \$5,000. If the quote received is less than \$5,000 the Committee wants to proceed right away.
 - b. IHP Plaza Landscaping Update
Village Staff is working on obtaining three quotes for landscaping along Joliet Road by the IHP Plaza, with the goal of having the quotes ready to present at the next Economic Development Committee Meeting.
 - c. IHP Plaza Business Development Update
The Dunkin' Donuts Franchisee who was interested in building a store at the old "Dome" site has backed out of the deal. The current property owner and Dunkin' Donuts are both taking a wait and see approach to see what happens with Wolf Road.

- d. Cannabis Dispensary Attraction Update
The Village mailed out 167 letters to LLCs and Managers of the Cannabis Dispensary lottery winners. So far three people have responded, Village Administrator DuRocher and Assistant Village Administrator Ferrini met with one of the respondents. Since a dispensary business would be a special use, it must go through the Planning and Zoning Committee and the Board of Trustees prior to approval, meaning the Village Board will have control of how it will look. Trustee Donnersberger has recently gotten pushback from the residents now that the word has gotten out. Trustee Kennedy has done research on the affect dispensaries have on property values and he will share that with the group at the next meeting.

- e. Business Sign Code Review
There have been multiple complaints on the new Tobacco Shop's sign, although it is allowable under the current Village Code. Chair Donnersberger would like to rewrite the Code relating to signs to ensure that future signs are not as brightly lit. Assistant Village Administrator Ferrini suggested modifying #2 on the Code relating to size and illumination, he will get it to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a Zoning Change.

- f. Business License and Sign Fees Discussion
The Committee discussed the current sign fees and ultimately decided not to make any changes to the fee schedule.

- g. Closed Session
At 7:09 pm, Trustee Kennedy motioned to adjourn to Closed Session, seconded by Committee Member Fisher, motion carried unanimously.

With there being no further business to discuss, Trustee Kennedy motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:36pm, seconded by Committee Member Fisher. Motion carried unanimously. Next meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2022.