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FOUNTAIN CITY

Agenda
Economic Development Committee Meeting
Tuesday, September 1, 2026, 5:00 p.m.
Council Chambers, City Hall
42 North Main Street, Fountain City, WI

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Citizen Appearance / Public Comment
5. Approval of Minutes of August 4, 2026, Committee Meeting

6. Old Business – Discussion and Possible Action

a. Auditorium Grand Opening and Halloween Masquerade Ball – Ongoing Planning. (Scott)
   - Mailing of invites and printing/distribution of posters.
   - Entertainment, decorations, food – Discussion and decisions.

7. New Business – Discussion and Possible Action

a. Tourism and economic development plan.
   - We will review the Cassville WI approach as a possible template to follow in Fountain City. (Mike)
b. Update of next steps regarding collaboration with UW Eau Claire on a detailed development and enhancement plan for the city park, waterfront, and ballfield. (Scott)
c. Possible freelance grant writing support from Austin Klein (grant writer for Winona). (Scott)
d. Proposed temporary/seasonal removal of plantings from fountain area and clock area and replacement with wood chips and/or seasonal displays. (Chris and Scott)
e. Public Space Planning. (Scott)
   - Flex Court approval (already budgeted for 2026)
   - Other Initial *shovel ready* projects
     - Pig Island Overlook.
       - Punchlist review and next steps. (Scott)
     - Wayfinding Signage
       - Update on "arrows" construction and communication with local establishments and locally owned sites (Confirmation with Chris)
   - Flyway Trail board meeting update (Scott)
f. Review of "1-pager" example of a "volunteer opportunity" format for inclusion on the new "Hey.gov" website. (Chris)
g. Review and desired approval of a Special Event Permit for annual "Pumpkins and Pistons" event to be held on Saturday, 9/12 or confirmation of cancellation. (Chris)
h. Library Board update: Candidate interviews, approving bylaws, and navigating logistical dependencies.
i. Cremation vaults and protocol update (Chris).
j. Update on a "public space maintenance punchlist" (Scott).
k. FCD Street Dance Debrief (Mike).
l. Auditorium steps inquiry discussion. (Chris)

8. Adjourn