

Town of Liberty Grove
Minutes of the Economic Development Committee meeting on July 20, 2021

(This meeting was correctly posted)

Agenda:

1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Approve Agenda
4. Approve Minutes: 6/8/21
5. Public Input
6. DCEDC update
7. Development of Economic Strategy for Business Growth
8. 2022 Economic Development Budget
9. Future meeting
10. Adjourn

Chair John Lowry called the meeting to order at 7:02pm. Committee members David Studebaker and Chuck Scheckel were present along with Clerk/Treasurer Anastasia Bell, and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Doug Curzon. Committee member Andrew Gantman was excused and Alan Kroll was absent.

Studebaker moved, Lowry second to approve the agenda as posted. Passed 3-0.

Studebaker moved, Lowry second to approve the 6/8/21 minutes as presented. Passed 3-0.

Public – Studebaker reported that Nsight and the Town are partnering for a pilot project to install fiber to the home for 42 homes in Gills Rock. Administrator Walter Kalms arrived.

DCEDC Update – Steve Jenkins reported that Finley Engineering is 50% complete which is impressive, DCEDC is planning to create their strategic framework, and housing discussion continue.

Economic Strategy for Business Growth – The following business types were noted for potential expansion within Liberty Grove: *Small manufacturers, *Professional services, *Agricultural related, *Home-based/remote workers, and *Secondary locations for established businesses.

2022 Economic Development Budget – Lowry requested the Board determine what funding options are available to the Town. The 2022 budget proposal was reviewed, and various changes were made.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, August 10, 2021 at 6:00pm.

Lowry moved, Scheckel second to adjourn at 8:38pm. Passed 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Anastasia Bell, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved at the 8/10/2021 Economic Development Committee meeting.