

Village of Germantown Hills

Economic Development Council Meeting Minutes

May 10, 2018 5:00 p.m.

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance**-Marty Clinch called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance.

EDC Committee	Roll Call	1	2	3	4	5
Mike Hinrichsen-Village President	Present	Y	Y			
Marty Clinch-Chairman	Present	Y	Y			
Amy Pace	Present	Y	Y			
Paul Herzog	Absent	-	Y			
Bob Sutton	Present	Y	Y			
Eric McAllister	Absent	-	-			
Amy DeFreitas	Absent	-	-			
Melissa Heil	Present	Y	Y			
Veronica Axelson	Absent	-	-			
Randy Nash	Present	Y	Y			
Ann Sasso-Director	Present	Y	Y			

Also, present:

Rich Brecklin, Superintendent of Public Works
Russ Cotton, Woodford County Board Member
Jim O’Laughlin, Village Trustee
Barry Logan, Woodford County Board Member

2. **Approval of the April 12, 2018 EDC meeting minutes**-A motion was made by Amy Pace to approve the April 12, 2018 EDC meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Randy Nash. **Motion passed #1.**

Paul Herzog arrived at 5:03.

3. **Introduction of Chris Setti, CEO for the Greater Peoria Economic Development Council**

Chris Setti introduced himself and discussed his background and the programs available through GPEDC. He appreciates Germantown Hills’ investment in GPEDC and Mike Hinrichsen’s participation as Chairman of the board.

Chris and the EDC discussed different programs and initiatives going on with GPEDC.

4. **Update on the Germantown Crossing Village Square Phase 1 and Phase 2**-Mike Hinrichsen noted we just heard back on the ITEP and we received \$24,000 of the funds for preliminary engineering. The next funding cycle is 2019 so the next award is two years away.

Mike reported we are talking to some developers and the possibility of submitting an application for the Woodford County Revolving loan fund next year.

The Village has received a cost estimate for phase 2 which includes the band shell, restrooms, and trail. Mike noted there are other TAP funds available regionally through the Tri-County Planning Commission. We will wait to see what we might qualify for and what they can be used for.

Mike asked what the feelings were of the EDC on next steps. The consensus was to keep moving forward on the vision and look to see what we can do. The Village is looking at several funding opportunities.

- 5. EDC Chairman/Director/Village President Reports-**Ann Sasso reported she had attended the IEZA Conference to learn what's new. It appears the Germantown Crossing vacancy will be filled soon.

Ann noted the MTCO Park is being revisited to see what the plan is to move it forward.

Marty Clinch reported he had discussed the possibility again of a pedestrian crossing with some IDOT officials. This would need to be incorporated into the MTCO Park site plan.

Mike Hinrichsen reported we had our first Tri-County Planning Commission planning meeting on the Germantown Hills to Metamora Trail. The group will be looking at different trail options.

Mike noted he had attended a good conference session on strong towns and how they work.

- 6. Germantown Hills Chamber of Commerce update-**Marty Clinch reported the Germantown Hills Chamber pork chop event went well.
- 7. School Updates and upcoming events-**Melissa Heil reported the expansion and resurfacing of the track will be underway soon.
- 8. Germantown Hills Library update-**Joel Shoemaker, Library Director had sent an update on what's going on with the Library District. Ann will forward the information to the EDC.
- 9. Business round table updates/public comments-**Nothing new to report.
- 10. Next meeting-June 14, 2018 5:00 p.m.-**The next meeting will be on June 14, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.
- 11. Adjournment-**A motion was made by Amy Pace to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m. The motion was seconded by Melissa Heil. **Motion passed #2.**

Ann Sasso, Village Clerk