

**Town of Vernon Economic Development Commission
Regular Meeting of August 18, 2010**

Commissioners Present: Tim Ackert, Bill Breslau, Dan Kennedy, Bill McGurk, Peter Olson, James Sendrak

Town Staff Present: Marina Rodriguez

1. Public Forum: None present

2. Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Commissioner Ackert, seconded by Commissioner Breslau, the minutes of June 16, 2010 were approved with one abstention.

3. Administrative Items

Communications and Correspondence: correspondence was circulated.

4. Update on Implementation of EDC Priorities

A. Plan of Conservation & Development (POCD): Bill Breslau prepared a written summary of the comments expressed by EDC and will be submitting them to the PZC subcommittee. There is a meeting today at noon between representatives from EDC and the Subcommittee to have a discussion about the Development component and what it should address.

B. Alternative Energy: The Commission agreed to invite Joel Rinebold, Director of Energy Initiatives at CCAT and Jeffrey Boulrice to learn about their services for Vernon and the Energy Improvement District.

C. Existing Businesses: The Commission discussed having an event for existing businesses for the purpose of addressing any concerns they may have with the Town. It would be best to group similar businesses together (e.g. industrial, retail, health, etc.) and sponsor a meeting for each group separately. Bill McGurk offered assistance from Rockville Bank.

5. Economic Development Status Update

Staff distributed the update report dated July 21 and August 18, 2010 and answered questions. On a motion by Commissioner Breslau, seconded by Commissioner McGurk, EDC asked Bill Breslau to inquire on its behalf about the status of the Intermodal Transportation Center. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marina C. Rodriguez, AICP, CED Coordinator & ATP

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