

**Village of Algonquin  
Economic Development Commission  
Regular Meeting  
January 11, 2018  
7:00 p.m.**

**Agenda Item 1: Roll Call/Establish Quorum**

PRESENT: Members: Chairperson Jerry Pinderski, Commissioners: Bob Smith, Dave Ward, and Brian Rasek. Absent: Mike Ritter, Vince Vachio, and Kurt Moders. Staff: Katie Parkhurst

**Agenda Item 2: Approve Minutes from the November 9, 2017 Meeting**

Chairperson Pinderski entertained a motion on the minutes from the November 9, 2017 meeting. Mr. Ward made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Smith seconded. A voice vote noted all ayes, motion passed.

**Agenda Item 3: Public Comment**

There was no one in attendance that wished to provide public comment.

**Agenda Item 4: Annual Algonquin Business Awards**

Mrs. Parkhurst gave a PowerPoint presentation on the award nominations. There was discussion on each of the businesses. The commissioners announced that we are pleased with the businesses selected to receive awards this year.

Chairperson Pinderski encouraged the EDC to attend the Village Board meeting for the award presentation.

Mr. Smith made a motion to approve the businesses selected for this year's award winners and Mr. Rasek seconded the motion. A voice vote noted all ayes.

**Agenda Item 5: New/Old Business**

**A. 2018 Meeting Schedule**—Mrs. Parkhurst provided everyone with the meeting schedule.

**B. General Discussion**

Chairperson Pinderski inquired about the status of the a5 marketing campaign. Mrs. Parkhurst provided an update. The consultants have been busy interviewing elected officials, staff, property owners, brokers, and business owners. The consultants are looking to gain a complete understanding and all the various perspectives of the Village as a whole and more specifically relating to the Algonquin Corporate Campus, Downtown and East Algonquin Road. Staff will provide the EDC with updates on the project.

Mr. Smith asked what is the best way the EDC can be helpful and get businesses to town. Could the EDC make phone calls, business visits, etc to help get the word out that the Village is here and open to business. The Village needs to show enthusiasm for new businesses coming here.

Chairperson Pinderski asked what do you see that the Village can do to help. Mr. Smith suggested a survey to see what businesses that residents would support, need to have positive attitude towards businesses and property owners.

Mr. Rasek mentioned the East Algonquin Road study highlighted automotive and medical users. There are new businesses coming, like O'Reilly's and Northwest Pulmonary.

Mr. Rasek inquired if the Downtown property owners are happy that the utility and street work project will be done quicker. Mrs. Parkhurst stated there are mixed reviews from the Downtown businesses and property owners.

The EDC had a discussion on Algonquin Corporate Campus users and activity.

**Agenda Item 6:           Adjournment**

Mr. Ward made a motion and Mr. Rasek seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Approved:

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Jerry Pinderski, Chairperson, EDC