Economic Development Commission Meeting Minutes of **June 14, 2016**

Attendance: Judy Andrade, Andre Benoit, Neil Cook, Geoffrey Cooper, Ulric Deojay, Ross Farrugia, James Filice, Andrew Hadfield. **Absent**: Scott Blinkhorn, Cindy Donall.

Staff present – Russell Gray, Donald Aubrey, and Patricia Ball

Also present - John Fallon.

Audience of Citizens: No Comment.

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Geoffrey Cooper at 7:00 pm.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: N. Cook made a motion, seconded by A. Benoit to accept as written the 4/12/2016 regular meeting minutes. All voted in favor of the motion.

N. Cook made a motion, seconded by A. Benoit to move New Business, Items a. and b. ahead of Unfinished Business. All voted in favor of the motion. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Presentation by John Fallon, regarding interest in ½ 10 Main Street: Mr. Fallon presented a signed statement of a proposal to purchase ½ 10 Main Street he signed on May 23, 2013 for \$60,000, with the intention of opening AAA Social Catering LLC. Mr. Fallon envisions a family events facility such as an open pavilion to hold seasonal events for corporations and non-profits. He is seeking input from the commission regarding the next step in the process. Due to drainage issues with the parcel, the members informed Mr. Fallon, he is ultimately in a holding pattern until that issue is resolved. Mr. Fallon has agreed to wait for further information and to provide a more detailed plan to present to the commission on his proposal including a visual to help members see the big picture.
- b. Discussion of drainage issues with the Industrial Park: Mr. Aubrey from Towne Engineering, Inc. presented information to the members of the commission regarding the drainage issues in the Industrial Park. Mr. Aubrey displayed several maps detailing the flow of water in the Industrial Park and the location of areas where corrective action is needed. Per suggestions from Mr. Aubrey the retention pond would be the ideal place to start in fixing the water flow issues. U. Deojay made a motion, seconded by A. Benoit to request a price for the clearing of trees from the retention pond and bank area. All voted in favor of the motion.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **a.** Phase II Industrial Park Parcel: P. Ball informed commission members a copy of the appraisal report for the parcel in Phase II of the Industrial Park was provided to Charlie Corson for review. There have been no further questions or discussions with Mr. Corson regarding his initial inquiry. U. Deojay volunteered to talk with Mr. Corson regarding his intentions.
- **b.** Potential Buyer 1110 Plainfield Pike: P. Ball stated there was an interested party looking for more information regarding this site so a real estate agent was not contacted. Due to no further contact or discussion from this party, P. Ball will seek a real estate agent to list the property for sale.
- **c. Economic Development survey responses:** Members reviewed the responses from the survey.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>: This was addressed earlier in the meeting. ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION:

ADJOURNMENT:
A motion was made by N. Cook, seconded by J. Andrade to adjourn at 8:52 pm. All voted in
favor of the motion.
Submitted by,
Patricia Ball, Economic Development Coordinator