## Economic Development Commission Meeting Minutes of **April 12, 2016**

**Attendance**: Judy Andrade, Andre Benoit, Scott Blinkhorn, Neil Cook, Geoffrey Cooper, Ulric Deojay, Cindy Donall, Ross Farrugia, James Filice (7:10). **Absent**: Andrew Hadfield.

Staff present – Russell Gray and Patricia Ball

Audience of Citizens: No Comment.

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Geoffrey Cooper at 7:01 pm.

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**: C. Donall made a motion, seconded by U. Deojay to accept as written the 2/9/2016 regular meeting minutes. All voted in favor of the motion. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- **a. Mission of the Commission:** G. Cooper reviewed with the commission the mission and goals since changing the name of the commission from the Development and Industrial Commission to the Economic Development Commission. This commission was established to conduct research into economic conditions, and to help make recommendations to improve economic conditions and development for the welfare of the entire town. The mission of Sterling's Economic Development Commission is to aid in the promotion and development of the economic resources of our town. To help in understanding the beliefs of the community the commission will draft a survey for residents to voluntarily complete asking for input on what industry may benefit the town. S. Blinkhorn made a motion, seconded by C. Donall to have P. Ball draft a survey to be distributed on April 27, 2016 at the town budget public hearing. NEW BUSINESS:
- **a. Phase II Industrial Park Parcel Appraisal Review:** The commission members were provided a copy of the appraisal report for discussion. S. Blinkhorn made a motion, seconded by C. Donall, to have P. Ball contact Charlie Corson and provide a copy of the report for his review. All voted in favor of the motion.

## ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSION:

a. P. Ball reported Kristie Barth, owner of Salon 41, has terminated her rent to own option agreement with the town on the property located at 1110 Plainfield Pike. Discussion was held among the members on the possible usage and best interest of the property in regards to the town renting or selling. N. Cook made a motion, seconded by S. Blinkhorn, to have P. Ball obtain a real estate agent and list the property to be sold. All voted in favor of the motion.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion was made by N. Cook, seconded by C. Donall to adjourn at 8:07 pm. All voted in favor of the motion.

Submitted by,			
Patricia Ball, Ed	conomic Devel	opment Coordi	nator