

Elmhurst Economic Development Commission  
Meeting Minutes of November 19, 2010, City Hall, Room 2

Present: Betsy Hanisch, Don Meyers, Rich Reichert, Dan Leahy, Kurt Warnke

Absent: Bill Huber, Mark Sabatino, Diane McGinnis, Dan Hiffman

Also Present: Tom Paravola, Mike Kopp, John Quigley, Tom Borchert, Kevin York, Ken Bartels

The EDC was called to order by Betsy Hanisch, Chair, at 7:30 a.m.

The EDC Minutes of October 22, 2010 were approved as submitted.

Mike Kopp shared that new, additional commissioners for the EDC have not yet been appointed by the Mayor. Such action may take place in December or January. In addition, Mike, Betsy and Ken Bartels will meet to consider possible EDC By-laws pertaining to the terms and election of the two EDC officers, a Chair and a Vice-Chair. These By-laws will then be shared with the EDC for review, likely in January.

An update on the Shop/Buy Elmhurst plan and a potential Elmhurst Auto Association was also provided. Both of these items are in process.

Mike also highlighted a report from Findzall Community Marketing shared at the meeting. A report like this will be provided to the EDC from time to time.

Tom Borchert briefly re-visited his TIF presentation that he gave to the EDC at its September 24, 2010 meeting. He reported on the status of the City's three, existing TIFs and offered his thoughts about possible future TIFs as well. New TIFs, their importance, and their planning will be an important item for the EDC in 2011.

There is a TIF Joint Review Board Meeting on December 13, 2010 at City Hall at 6:00 p.m. All three TIFs will be reported upon and the EDC is invited to attend.

There were nine retention visit reports given.

The EDC's 2011 meeting schedule was provided and the final EDC meeting for 2010 is set for December 17 at City Hall.

Tom Borchert shared his retirement plans which call for him to be leaving City Hall in June after 40 years of overall service, 26 as City Manager. A search consultant has been hired and that effort is underway. For ongoing details, consult the City web site.

The EDC was adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Submitted as a draft by Ken Bartels.