

Elmhurst Economic Development Commission  
Minutes of Friday, March 24, 2017  
City Hall – Conference Room 2

Present: Bill Shanklin, Chair, Rich Reichert, Vice Chair, Brian Stolper, Diane McGinnis, Trisha Hall, Maryann Gorski, Don Meyers, Bill Huber, Julie Coan, Tim Ricordati, Matt Waterwall

Absent: Mark Anglewicz, Kurt Schiele, Nina Coppola Radke, Chris LaBounty

Also Present: Mike Kopp, Erin Jason, Tom Paravola, John Quigley, Ken Bartels

Guest: Joe Lucchese, Pro-Ject HQ

The EDC meeting was called to order at 7:31 a.m.

The Minutes of the EDC meeting of February 24, 2017 were approved as submitted.

There were no public comments.

Bill Shanklin asked Brian Stolper to introduce our guest presenter, Joe Lucchese of Pro-Ject HQ located in Chicago. Brian and Joe were both graduates of York High School in 1997. Joe presented his background in production and promotion. He shared his company's principles as relationship architects and utilizing emotional intelligence. Joe strives to put people together with relationship-based data to form alliances for productivity.

Bill shared with the EDC that he, Rich Reichert and Erin Jason were part of an 'Elmhurst Now' program on local cable television with host, Ken Bartels. The program will air on Comcast channel 6 and U-Verse channel 99 on Sundays and Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. all during April. It will then move to [www.elmhursttv.com](http://www.elmhursttv.com)

Ken reported that all five commissioners with appointments ending on April 30, 2017 have asked to be reappointed: Maryann Gorski, Rich Reichert, Trisha Hall, Matt Waterwall, mayoral appointments and Brian Stolper, EDC appointment. New commissioner applications and resumes need to be submitted to Ellen Cyprian at City Hall. Bill then asked for a motion of endorsement for the reappointments, motion made, seconded and approved.

Maryann and Erin shared the status of the 4<sup>th</sup> Women-in-Management event to be held at Wilder Mansion on April 5, 2017. All is in process and another good crowd is expected.

Ken indicated that all four of the established EDC Subcommittees will likely meet in April and he will be coordinating dates soon. The new Retention Subcommittee exists now with Bill, Matt, Don Meyers and Ken. More members are sought.

There were eight retention visits noted.

Erin provided an update including: CORE retention visits for the State of Illinois beginning on April 12, 2017, Pino's Palette going into the former Fruitful Yield space, Beerheads likely opening late summer, Pie Five within Elmhurst Crossing has closed, and Elmhurst being touted as an attractive place for

millennials to live and work as noted at a recent Chicago presentation. Mike then updated the EDC on OPUS, FFC and New Home Star approvals, Houseal Lavigne zoning areas report, the March 23, 2017 public meeting on the new zoning maps with final maps to be developed soon.

Rich mentioned Bill's DSA award from the Elmhurst Jaycees on April 25, 2017 at the American Legion. Hopefully the EDC can be well represented. John Quigley mentioned an idea for a York/District 205 business incubator as well as upcoming Chamber visits to Springfield on April 5 and 26, 2017.

The next EDC meeting will be held on Friday, April 28, 2017 at McMaster-Carr Supply Company. Details for the off-site visit will be forthcoming.

The EDC was adjourned at 9:09 a.m.

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These minutes are submitted as a draft by Ken Bartels.