



Albion Economic Development Corporation

Community Engagement
Task Force Meeting

Wednesday, May 15, 9:00 am

Albion Economic Development Corporation
115 N. Superior St. Albion, MI 49224

Zoom Link:

<https://zoom.us/j/91203580052?pwd=TjJkNitRSkYxUExJWGxRSXA4SS9ldz09>

Mission Statement: Partnering with our community to drive economic growth and enrich local lives through active collaboration.

AGENDA

- 1) Call To Order (1 min)
- 2) Approve Agenda (1 min)
- 3) Welcome and Introductions (10 min)

Discussion Items

- 4) MACC Funding Opportunity (10 min)
- 5) Austin Avenue Survey (5 min)
- 6) Corridor Improvement Authority (10 min)
- 7) EDC Open Board Seats. (5 min)
- 8) Update on MI-Hope (5 min)
- 9) Setting Next Meeting's Agenda (5 min)
- 10) Public Comment (TBD)
(Persons addressing the Committee shall limit their comments to no more than 3 minutes)
- 11) Adjournment (1 Min)

Parking Lot

Austin Ave Corridor Revisit and Survey
Open EDC Board Seats – 6
Identifying Partners for Execution of Ideas
Pastor Amos's 5-Point Plan on Homelessness
Info on OPRA Districts
Harrington Support

Next Meeting June 20th, 10 am via Zoom

ALBION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TASK FORCE MEETING

MINUTES

May 15, 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT: Chad Allen, Harry Bonner Jr., Pastor Tim Kurtz

OTHERS: None

STAFF: Virgie Ammerman, Ronnie Sims

The meeting was called to order by Virgie Ammerman at 9:00 am. The agenda was approved.

There were introductions of each person. An announcement, by Virgie, of Ronnie Sims as the new EDC Executive Assistant/ Board Liaison.

Chad discussed finding a 1st Amendment Venue within the community

Utilize the MACC grant in partnership with Citizens to Beautify Albion and Rotary (Dave Farley).
Look into Collaborative grants (Jim Siedle and Gerald Bulke)

Working with Donovan Williams on Arts Grants can include Albion Fellows, Americorp Vista, Arts Group Norfolk. Harry Bonner Jr. included that we look into how to support elementary schools, families, gymnastics, arts, etc. with these art grants

Suggested that there be a reach out to group to make sure everyone has the correct link and continuation with the group as well as invites to interested community members.

June 6 EDC concept & resolution to pass and accept the Corridor Austin Ave. & N. Eaton down to S. Eaton. Need group to create a name for the Corridor (i.e. Uptown, Oldtown) Business District. A survey could be a part of naming the District. Fund additional business opportunities. Has to have 50% commercial.

Next agenda, include plan on homelessness

There was no public comment.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:59 am.

Next Meeting will be Thursday, June 19th, 11 am, EDC Offices, 115 N. Superior Street.