

City of Tonawanda Local Development Corporation

5:00 – 5:45 PM

January minutes (13 January 2021)

Attendees Joseph Cassata Fredrick Foels Doug Taylor (adviser)
Jackie Smilinich Joseph Hogenkamp George
Ferber

5:00 pm – Call to Order

Meeting held in office of Joseph Cassata

Jackie Smilinich opened meeting

No motion to accept minutes of last meeting. Did not have minutes, was told this would not be a working meeting. Will have to approve those and these meetings at next meeting.,

Question: How much money do we have? Financial Sect is ill. Best guess is that we have

40K from city council

100K from Erie County

Monies left in bank account (about 39K)

We need:

A) Treasurers update

B) Grant programs discussion

C) Discussion on how to get grant funds.

Doug Taylor was asked to send memos from Lumber City LDC on their grant proposals. (Received from Doug see attached)

It was suggested that someone should ask Dawn and Chuck what the city is doing with projects (i.e. sodding) No one was assigned this task.

We need to define: Objectives, Purpose, Goals

We all need to use the Mission Statement to understand our resources.

Thanks to Jason for 2020. What is your game plan for the coming year? How much would you charge?

City communication must be enhanced through the Council Representative between the City and the LDC. No plan to achieve this was expressed.

Jackie Smilinich announced that she would be resigning effective the first of February 2021 due to time constraints and travel. She said she would provide a letter to that effect.

It was stated that we need to search for persons wanting to join the board. It would be good to have business people in the group. Jackie suggested using the City web site and Facebook. Jackie volunteered to do this.

Motion to adjourn. (5:45P)

Motion by Jackie Smilinich

Seconded by Fredrick Foels

Approved by all

Next Meeting:

23 February 2021

5P

Joseph Cassata's Office (535 Delaware [Young Bldg])

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