

**Economic Development Council
MINUTES**

August 29, 2014

Mt. Lebanon Municipal Building — Conference Room C

710 Washington Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15228

7:30 A.M.

In attendance:

Cheri Acrey, Blaine Lucas, Euclid Noble, Bob Hagerty Dale Cowher, Ray Giarrusso
Rebecca Wanovich, Rick Sabeh

Absent: Elaine Evosevic-Lozada, Joel Clusky, Dan Remley and Commissioner Bendel

Commission Liaison: Bendel

Guest Speaker: None

Staff: Eric Milliron

- I. **Call to Order:** Blaine Lucas called the meeting to order at 7:35 a.m.
- II. **Citizen's Comments:** No comments.
- III. **Approval of Minutes from July 28, 2014:**
July 28, 2014 minutes were reviewed. Euclid Noble made a motion to approve.
Seconded by Cheri Acrey.
- IV. **Pillar Review**
 - a. Impact Development – Staff reported that a meeting with TREK Development will take place late September. The meeting is to understand the proposal submitted. Staff will be making a report to the Commission in October 2014 on the RFP and the proposal received. Blaine Lucas has asked to be recused from any discussions with TREK and will submit an email indicating this request.
 - b. Business Attraction + Retention
 - i. Business Updates
 - ii. Hotel Update – A meeting has been scheduled with the recently hired General Manager for businesses in the Uptown District. This meeting will be on September 8th morning and evening. Kratsa still is targeting an October opening.
 - c. Public Realm – Staff informed EDC that the municipality has been awarded a CITF grant in the amount of \$125,000 for sidewalk replacement in the Beverly Road business district. Work will not happen till 2015.
 - d. Place Making

- i. Upcoming Events
 - 1. Ultra Party – Staff reported that the event net was close to \$9,000 and attended by ~1,200 people.
 - 2. First Friday – September 5 will be the final for 2014
 - 3. Plein Air – second week of October; Tour de MTL takes place at the same time
- e. Parking Advisory Board Update – A new app is available for the Uptown District through the Streetline Company. App will show available parking along Washington Road and the South Lot. This is a pilot project.

V. Other Business

VI. Adjourn

***Next meeting will be September 26 @ 7.30A