

City of Evansville **Economic Development Committee**
Regular Meeting
Monday, May 15, 2023 6:00 PM

MINUTES

1. Call to Order. Brooks called meeting to order at 6:00 pm

2. Roll Call:

	Present/Absent	Others Present
Chair James Brooks	P	Com. Dev. Director Colette Spranger
Ben Ladick, Vice Chair	A	Sandy Decker
Jon Alling	P	John Decker
Sue Berg	P	Shawn Dunphy, Chamber of Commerce
Brandon Rutz	A	
Pat Carr	P	
Gabe Schrader	A	

3. Motion to Approve Agenda by Berg, seconded by Alling, approved unanimously.

4. Motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the April 17, 2023 regular meeting and approve them as printed.

5. Motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the May 1, 2023 special meeting and approve them as printed, by Berg, seconded by Carr. Approved unanimously.

6. Civility Reminder. Brooks stated the committee of the City's commitments to civil discourse.

7. Citizen Appearances, other than listed agenda items.

8. Monthly Report

A. Community Development Report. Spranger gave the report and provided a general status of residential development opportunities in the City. There is very little room for new housing growth at the present moment.

B. Chamber of Commerce Report. Executive Director Dunphy summarized the Chamber's ongoing effort to re-engage its membership, reporting good success and new members.

C. Tourism Commission Report. No Tourism meeting in May. Berg gave updates about the mural project at 1 East Main street. The Tourism commission hired a photographer to capture images at Art Crawl, which was held on May 12th.

D. Rock County Economic Development Report. Otterstein's quarterly report was reviewed by the group.

9. Discussion

A. Business Summit Work Session

- i. Roundtable Host Ideas**
- ii. Drip Campaign/Pre-Summit Engagement**
- iii. Contact Assignments**

Ongoing discussions to plan the upcoming business summit. The Committee was visited by former mayor Sandy Decker, who shared ideas with the group. Agenda for the day was discussed. Per diem or honorariums for guest or main speakers was discussed but no action was taken. Committee decided to meet again on May 31st to continue discussions.

10. Next Meeting Dates: May 31st, 2023 at 6:00pm.

June 19th, 2023 at 6:00pm.

11. Motion to Adjourn by Berg, seconded by Carr.