

**COUNTY OF KENDALL, ILLINOIS
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes for Friday, October 29, 2021**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Dan Koukol at 8:10 a.m.

Roll Call

Attendee	Status	Arrived	Left Meeting
Amy Cesich	Absent		
Scott Gryder	Here		
Matt Kellogg		8:11 a.m.	
Dan Koukol	Here		
Robyn Vickers	Here		

Others Present: County Administrator Scott Koeppel, Senior Planner, Matt Asselmeier

Approval of Agenda – Member Gryder made a motion to approve the agenda, second by Member Vickers. **With three members present voting aye, the motion carried by a vote of 3-0.**

Approval of October 1, 2021 Meeting Minutes – Member Vickers made a motion to approve the October 1, 2021 meeting minutes, second by Member Gryder. **With three members present voting aye, the motion carried by a vote of 3-0.**

Committee Business

- *Update to the Land Resource Management Plan in the Eldamain Road Corridor South of the Fox River* – Mr. Asselmeier updated the committee on proposed changes along Route 47 (Eldamain Road Corridor) in Kendall and Lisbon Townships, and the effect the changes would have on the south section of the county. Mr. Asselmeier briefed the committee on the Comprehensive Land Plan Ordinance committee’s proposal to change future land uses map along Eldamain Road, previously Highpoint Road, in the unincorporated area south of the RR tracks, and the area south of Route 71 in the undeveloped Highpoint Meadows sub-division. Mr. Asselmeier said that the majority of citizen comments were not in favor of the proposal, or raising their taxes to support the proposal.

Mr., Asselmeier reported that the Comprehensive Land Plan Ordinance committee felt this would be a good location for future office space and light industrial uses. If a proposal passes it would reclassify these areas from residential to mixed use business. Mr. Asselmeier stated there is already mixed use business in that area and if the proposal passes it would impact 49 properties and 22 property owners. The committee is asking for input on whether they should proceed with the proposal. Property owners were invited to the Comprehensive Land Plan Ordinance committee’s meeting on October 27, 2021 and to the Planning, Building, and Zoning meeting on November 8, 2021. Mr. Asselmeier will report back to the committee with the utilities of Grundy County and the City of Morris.

- *Discussion of American Rescue Plan Act Small Business Grant Program* – Scott Koepfel provided a review of the Small Business Grant Program Application portal. Mr. Koepfel stated that the plan is to seek County Board approval at the January 4, 2022 County Board meeting, and to launch the site on January 5, 2022.

Member Kellogg made a motion to forward the item to the January 4, 2022 County Board meeting, second by Member Vickers. **With four members voting aye, the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.**

- *Discussion of Revolving Loan Fund Pre-Application from Bite & Sauce* – Mr. Koepfel reviewed and discussed the application he received from Bite and Sauce. The applicants wish to open a Venezuelan restaurant in Boulder Hill. Mr. Koepfel was concerned with the amount of the collateral listed on the application. The committee considered a smaller loan. The applicants will be invited to the next meeting. Mr. Koepfel will reach out to them to get more details on their expense report and if they have additional collateral.

Updates and Reports – None

Chairs Report – Chair Koukol updated the Committee on recent meetings of the Workforce Investment Board.

Public Comment – None

Executive Session – Not needed

Adjournment - Member Gryder made a motion to adjourn, second by Chair Vickers.

There being no objection, the Economic Development Committee meeting was adjourned at 9:33 a.m. **With four members present voting aye, the motion carried by a vote of 4-0.**

Respectfully submitted,

Valarie McClain Administrative Assistant and
Recording Secretary