



Approved 9-1-20 *gH*

**MEETING OF
July 13, 2020**

MINUTES OF THE BOYNE CITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MEETING DULY CALLED AND HELD ON MONDAY, July 13, 2020 virtually via Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Bellant called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Pat Anzell, Kelly Bellant, Michael Cain, Michelle Cortright, Pete Friedrich, Drew May
Absent: Ralph Gillett, Josette Lory

**EXCUSED ABSENCES
MOTION**

Cain moved, Cortright seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY to excuse Ralph Gillett and Josette Lory.

MEETING ATTENDANCE

Staff: Recording Secretary Jane Halstead, Assistant Planner Patrick Kilkenny
Public: Five

**MINUTE APPROVAL
MOTION**

Friedrich moved, Cain seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY to approve the minutes of January 13, 2020.

**HEARING CITIZENS
PRESENT**

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS
PARK UPDATES
GLE/True Stream Site Plan
Review**

Steve Drake, CFO of Great Lakes Energy, Nick Liebler of White & Liebler Architects and Tim Knutsen of Beckett & Raeder were on hand to provide an overview of GLE's expansion plans. Landscape screening, access drives and elevations were discussed. It was asked if a sidewalk extension was included in the plan and at this time there are no plans to extend the sidewalk in front of the building. The timeline for construction was discussed and it is hoped to have the construction closed in prior to winter. The Board is appreciative of the investment GLE is making in our community.

**GLE/True Stream Site Plan
Review
MOTION**

Friedrich moved, Cortright seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY to approve the Great Lakes Energy expansion plans as presented and highly encourage that provisions are made for an extension of the sidewalk in the future. The Board is appreciative of the investment GLE is making in our community and their retention and growth in number of employees.

SurgCenter The SurgCenter is up and running. There was an issue with water on the site but it is believed to be due to an issue with the irrigation system.

Non-Motorized Trail The non-motorized trail from Boyne City to Boyne Falls is open and has been exceedingly well received. There is still a portion where the trail meets the railroad crossing in Boyne Falls that is unfinished. It will be completed when MDOT gets the needed permit from the Railroad division of MDOT.

Impact of Covid-19 on Business Park The impact of Covid-19 on business was discussed. Business is slowly picking back up. Direct sales are impacted as it is difficult to get in to see customers.

Inquires/Future Development There have been some inquiries regarding available lots at the Business Park.

NEW BUSINESS
Election of Officers **Friedrich moved, May seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY** to keep current officer appointments on the EDC Board – Ralph Gillet as Chair and Kelly Bellant as Vice-Chair.

Board Vacancy The Board Vacancy item will be tabled until the next meeting of the EDC Board.

GOOD OF THE ORDER None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS The next regular meeting of the EDC is scheduled for September 14, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT The July 13, 2020 Economic Development Corporation meeting was adjourned at 1:09 p.m.



Jane Halstead, Recording Secretary