



Approved 7/13/20 *JA*

**MEETING OF**  
**January 13, 2020**

**MINUTES OF THE BOYNE CITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
**MEETING DULY CALLED AND HELD ON MONDAY, January 13, 2020 at CITY HALL,**  
**319 N Lake Street, Boyne City**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Gillett called the meeting to order at 12:06 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**EXCUSED ABSENCES**  
**MOTION**

**Cain moved, Cortright seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY** to excuse Pat  
Anzell, Josette Lory and Drew May.

**MEETING ATTENDANCE**

Staff: Recording Secretary Jane Halstead  
Public: Four

**MINUTE APPROVAL**  
**MOTION**

**Cortright moved, Friedrich seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY** to approve  
the minutes of October 14, 2019.

**HEARING CITIZENS**  
**PRESENT**

Steve Drake, CFO of Great Lakes Energy, was on hand to provide an overview  
of GLE's expansion plans for their headquarters in Boyne City and to provide  
an update on the TrueStream fiber network they are installing throughout  
Michigan.

Bruce Janssen of the Woodshop presented his latest plans for the new sign  
for the Business Park. He reviewed lettering and lighting options and also  
suggested that the vegetation on the current site be cleaned up.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**  
**PARK UPDATES**  
**SurgCenter**

Progress on the SurgCenter continues. They plan to be operational by March.

**Non-Motorized Trail**

Work on the non-motorized trail from Boyne City to Boyne Falls has been  
shut down for the winter. The project remains on track for the June 12<sup>th</sup>  
opening date.

**Future Development**

There have been several inquiries from potential businesses in recent weeks.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Workforce Housing

Workforce housing remains a hot topic. The Board discussed whether TIF monies can be used for housing and according to City Manager Cain that isn't clear – it depends on who you ask.  
Lofts on Lake will begin demolition/construction in the Spring. The project will provide some housing.

Vacancy on Board

Drew May's term on the EDC Board expires on March 11, 2020. Mike Cain will speak with Drew to get clarification on if he wants to continue on the Board.

2020 Calendar  
**MOTION**

**Cortright moved, Bellant seconded, PASSED UNANIMOUSLY** to approve the 2020 EDC meeting calendar as presented.

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**GOOD OF THE ORDER**

None.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next regular meeting of the EDC is scheduled for March 9, 2020.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

The January 13, 2020 Economic Development Corporation meeting was adjourned at 1:19 p.m.

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Jane Halstead, Recording Secretary