



Minutes: Community Improvement Corporation (CIC)

Date: Friday, October 29, 2021

Location: Oxford Fire Department 217 S. Elm St.

Time of Meeting: 12:00 PM

Members: Glenn Ellerbe, David Prytherch, Joseph Newlin, Kevin McKeehan, J.C. Rupel, Steve Dana, Kelly Umbstead, Norma Pennock, Ted Pickerill, Shaunna Tafelski

Staff Liaison: Jessica Greene and Seth Copenbaker

Absent: Jim Clawson, Randi Thomas

Call to Order:

Meeting called to order by J.C. Rupel at 12:01 PM

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Steve Dana

2nd: Kevin McKeehan

Vote: Passed

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from the last meeting held on May 21, 2021

Motion: Ted Pickerill

2nd: Joe Newlin

Vote: Passed

Special Presentation

- Presentation by City of Oxford Climate Action Steering Committee- David Prytherch
 - See attached presentation.
 - Discussed effects of climate change
 - City of Oxford commitments through the Global Covenant of Mayors
 - Local carbon neutrality by 2045
 - Opportunities in decision-making related to policy, infrastructure, etc.
- Discussion following the presentation
 - Glen Ellerbe questioned availability of, and support for recycling in the Uptown area, particularly focused on supporting local businesses
 - Expanded the idea to a creation of support services for various “business zones”



- David Prytherch commented that business support could be more comprehensively addressed through revisiting “Business Improvement District” concept.
- J.C. Rupel asked about current status of recycling charges as linked to City water/sewer billing.
 - Discover why businesses are not participating in recycling if they are currently being charged for the service? Issue of capacity and space for containers?

New Business

- Replacement of McCullough-Hyde Memorial Hospital representative with Pam Collins’ retirement?
 - Question posed by Jessica Greene
 - Unanimous support from CIC Board
 - J.C. Rupel posed that the representative from MHMH also be an Oxford resident
- Review of CIC 2021 Goals
 - See attached presentation.
 - Jessica Greene presented on year-to-date progress on established goals
 - Proposed new goal
 - “Place-making” in Oxford
 - Motion to adopt “Place-making” as a formal goal of the CIC for 2021
 - Motion: Glen Ellerbe
 - 2nd: J.C. Rupel
 - Vote: Passed
- Ec Dev projects update
 - College@Elm
 - Amtrak
 - American Rescue Plan
- Motion to apply for the “Good Jobs” Grant
 - Motion: Glen Ellerbe
 - 2nd: Ted Pickerill
 - Vote: Passed

Adjournment

- Motion: Ted Pickerill
- 2nd: Kevin McKeehan
- Vote: Passed
- Meeting adjourned 1:12pm.