

Town of Lansing
Economic Development Committee
Meeting Minutes Wednesday May 26, 2010

Attendees: Andy Sciarabba, Mickey Herzog, Steve Ruoff, Arlene Dende and Steve Grimm

Unable to Attend: Greg Hartz, Jeff Overstrom, Bud Shattuck, Skip Hardie, Dave Burns, Eileen Stout, Scott Pronti

Mission Statement discussed. Decided to hold off adoption until more members of the Committee could comment..

Welcomed Arlene Dende as a representative of the Town Center Committee. Kathy Miller, Town Center Committee Chair will also be a representative.

Welcomed Steve Grimm, the Lansing School District Superintendent as a new member of our Committee.

Briefly mentioned the status of the Appraisal needed to finalize the Town Land removal of easements. Town Board has authorized the Appraisal be prepared over the next 4 to 6 weeks.

Michael Stamm will attend the June 23 meeting to discuss the process to arrange a package of incentives for encouraging development and discuss the City of Ithaca's density zone program that qualifies development for IDA incentives. Will also ask Mike to address the Pilot agreement with AES for understanding of the formula, projected adjustments and answer questions.

An issue discussed is the poor appearance of a number of properties in the main areas of our Town and the need to cure these deficiencies. Will present to Town Supervisor concerns and ask what can be done.

Andy reviewed the current list of Lansing development projects which are being tracked by Jeff Overstrom and estimated assessment value upon completion. There are approximately 160 housing units represented and the projects are in various phases of approval. Only 1 significant commercial project, Transonics expansion.

Andy also presented the summary information from the recent County sponsored water and sewer study which indicates that throughout the County there is plenty of capacity to accommodate the 4,000 housing units projected over the next 10 years. Lansing has water capacity but not sewer at this time.

Discussed the current school enrollment figures and whether capacity exists for the students that may be coming with the residential projects currently in the planning stages. May want to survey recently completed rental projects and determine the number of children per units.

Single family homes are usually better for the District since there is more stability and investment in the community. Will discuss more a future meetings and possible put together a sub committee to collect data and study the issues.

Meeting schedule for the next 4 months as follows:

June 23, July 28, August 25, and September 29. Meeting s will begin at 5:15

Respectfully submitted,

Andy Sciarabba
May 28, 2010