

**DOVER TOWNSHIP
INDUSTRIAL COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES
FEBRUARY 26TH, 2020**

The Dover Township Industrial Commercial Development Committee (I/CDC) Meeting for February 26th, 2020, was brought to order at 4:00 PM by Chairperson Brian Caden in the Meeting Room of the Dover Township Municipal Building. Committee members present were Kathy Herman, Chuck Benton and Ashley Spangler Jr. Also, in attendance were John Popovich of Representative Seth Grove's Office and Cindy Snyder of Dover Borough. JoAnna Fink, Darryl Wagner, Kim Hogeman and Ashley Spangler Sr. were absent with prior notice. Township Representatives in attendance were Stephen Parthree; Township Supervisor, Laurel Oswalt; Township Manager, John McLucas; Township Zoning Officer and Tiffany Strine; Township Secretary. There were no members of the public present. This meeting has been recorded for minute purposes only.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson B. Caden conducted the Industrial Commercial Development Committee Meeting.

REORGANIZATION

The Industrial/Commercial Development Committee discussed the topic of reorganization for the year. After reorganization discussion, all members felt it necessary to postpone reorganizing amongst the I/CD Committee until a stronger member attendance is present to equally decided.

Motion by C. Benton and seconded by B. Caden **TO TABEL** the reorganization of the Dover Township I/CDC at this time, as presented. **Passed** with 4 ayes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 18TH, 2019

Motion by C. Benton and seconded by A. Spangler, Sr. to approve the December 18th, 2019, Industrial/Commercial Development Committee meeting minutes as presented. **Passed** with 4 ayes

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public present for comment.

ACTION ITEMS DISCUSSION:

Business Association Breakfast/Next Steps:

J. McLucas provided an update on the Dover Area Business Association. J. McLucas stated that the next DABA breakfast meeting will be held in March 12th, 2020 at 7:30 AM at Johnny's Raceway.

The topic of discussion for the next DABA breakfast meeting will be Carmen Penanto from the Buy Local Coalition or a stormwater session. J. McLucas stated that there was discussion to incorporate a networking session instead of a guest speaker.

Manager Oswald stated that a slate of officers should be discussed and voted upon as well. J. McLucas added that he would like to plan the years topics, as well as elect a slate of officers at the upcoming March DABA breakfast meeting. Any initiation processes that DABA would like to promote or partake in will be discussed as well. An example of an initiation process includes ribbon cuttings.

B. Caden stated that himself, J. McLucas and the other current DABA Vice-Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary will be meeting to discuss and collectively decided the essential components of the next public DABA meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

YCEA Site Selection Process

Manager Oswald presented the notes from the last ICDC meeting regarding the YCEA Site Selection Processes presented by Kennetha Hansen. Manager Oswald briefed the I/CD Committee on the essential components from the YCEA presentation from Kennetha Hansen.

Manager Oswald noted that Kennetha Hansen stated that Dover Township is one of the most business-friendly county organizations that she has worked with. Manager Oswald added that the ICD Committee may want to seek further quotes regarding other positive interactions and opinions with regards to working with Dover Township. It was suggested that positive feedback can then be utilized for Dover Township website posting, to help promote business networking.

Manager Oswald added that the I/CD Committee may want to discuss promoting LERTA and TIF incentive programs to potential local business and to make potential local business aware that Dover Township is LERTA and TIF friendly for the right opportunities.

It was noted that LERTA and TIF incentive programs should be presented to the Dover Area School District Board members as well. C. Benton stated that these incentive programs should be presented to the necessary DASD committee and then the DASD Board for their approval to work towards these matters together.

Additionally, information was also provided regarding Pathways to Prosperity which is a creation of YCEA. C. Benton stated that Pathways to Prosperity is a great tool that examines both sides of the job market where employers look for employees and employees can look for employment.

Development Update

Manager Oswalt presented an article to the I/CD Committee members regarding marketing and commercial development. Trends were addressed, as well as ideas in cutting edge uses in environments were explored.

J. McLucas reported that there are currently no new development updates at this time.

The next Industrial/Commercial Development Committee is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, March 25th, 2020.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 PM by Chairperson B. Caden.

Respectfully submitted by: _____

Tiffany Strine, Recording Secretary