

MINUTES

Economic Development Committee

November 12, 2018 at 6:00 pm

Village Hall in Port Byron, IL

Call to order

Chair Wes Wells called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

Roll Call/ Establishment of a Quorum

Roll call: Present: Barb Cartwright, Barb Cray, Patty Lindley, Wes Wells
Absent: Terry Foust, Ron Jacobs
Also present: Mayor Peterson

Gallery

None

Administrative:

A. Approve meeting minutes from September 10, 2018 meeting
Motion made by Barb Cartwright and seconded by Patty Lindley to approve 09/10/18 minutes (no meeting in October)
All "Ayes" – Minutes approved

Old business

- A. Solar array for powering the waste water treatment plant
- 1) Village approved for grant of \$262,500 FROM Illinois Clean Energy Foundation
 - 2) MUCH discussion as to financing, accepting grant, how else to pay for solar, using TIF funds or borrowing money
 - 3) Committee unanimous decision was to recommend accepting grant and use TIF for remainder of cost of installation, so referred to Village Board for decision
- B. Christmas Walk – date 12/14/18
- 1) Essentially same event as last year, with lots of decorations and food
 - 2) Also will have live musicians at Village Hall and other places in town

New business

- A. Next year Halloween – Trick or treat times? Village-wide event?
- 1) Discussed possibly designating the Sunday afternoon prior to Halloween for community-wide Trick-or-Treating
 - 2) Works in other communities, safer for kids out trick or treating
 - 3) How would it impact Halloween events, like the Fire Department party?

Gallery - Questions and Comments

Wes explained adult Easter Egg hunt, and how it would work

Adjourn

Moved by Patty Lindley to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Barb Cartwright
All "Ayes" - Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Cray, Secretary