



# *City of Prospect Heights*

## **Economic/Business Development Committee**

*Joseph Schuerman, Chairman*

**April 23, 2013 - 6:30 PM**  
**City Hall**  
**8 North Elmhurst Road**  
**Prospect Heights, IL**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM by Mr. Schuerman.

**II. ROLL CALL**

**Members Present:** Mr. Joseph Schuerman, Chairman  
Ms. Sharon Beyda  
Ms. Betty Cloud  
Mr. Chuck Currie  
Mr. Bill Zyrkowski

**Members Absent:** Mr. Matt Domanico

**Also Present:** Ms. Anne Marrin - City Administrator

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the March 14, 2013, and March 26, 2013 meetings were approved as presented.

**IV. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

**A. New/Closed Businesses in Prospect Heights**

- Bounce – Prospect Crossing – an indoor children’s play area is scheduled to open in May.
- Blackhawk Group was issued a license for a business in Prospect Crossing.
- Lucy’s Garage – Wildbrook – a vintage clothing store is opening soon.

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- New car stereo installer opening on Palatine Rd.
- Peapod distribution center opening on Rand Rd
- Ultra Foods in Prospect Crossing has a target opening date of Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>
- A new Indian Restaurant on Elmhurst and Hintz has been issued a permit.

### **B. Action Item List Review**

Action items were reviewed and updated.

### **C. City Business Topics**

Ms. Marrin announced that the Mayor's Breakfast will be held at Allgauer's on May 18<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 – 10:30 AM. The cost is \$15.00 per person. Reservations may be made on the City's website.

## **V. SCHEDULED BUSINESS**

### **A. Business Owners Forum**

#### **a. April Forum**

Ms. Cloud announced that Mayor Helmer postponed the Spring Forum due to the recent flooding in our area.

#### **b. Communications and Promotion**

Each member of the committee will send out a communication about the cancellation of spring forum to their e-mail list. Mr. Currie volunteered to draft the communication. Ms. Marrin will inform Mr. Tibbits to communicate the postponement in his e-newsletter.

#### **c. Future Forum Plans**

Ms. Cloud spoke with Allgauers and Crowne Plaza as possible venues for our after-hours events. Both offered a package with drinks and appetizers.

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The committee selected the following dates and venues for future events:

- July 10<sup>th</sup> – Players Pub – “After-Hours” - Ms. Marrin to confirm
- Sept 4<sup>th</sup> – Crowne Plaza – “After-Hours”
- October 23<sup>rd</sup> – Rob Roy – Affordable Care Act
- December 4<sup>th</sup> – Allgauers – “After-Hours”

### **B. EBDC Budget**

Ms. Marrin announced that the budget was passed without allocating funds for the EBDC. Funding will be obtained from events.

### **C. EBDC Priorities and Next Activities**

Ms. Cloud suggested that business licenses be required for all businesses located within the city. Currently licenses are required for establishments that server food or liquor. Ms. Marrin stated that there are limitations due to our non-home rule status.

Ms. Cloud stated that Mayor Helmer requested a special meeting be scheduled to determine the EBDC priorities and activities. The meeting has been scheduled for May 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at City Hall.

## **VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

## **VII. ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Zyrkowski, seconded by Ms. Beyda, and unanimously approved. Mr. Schuerman adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM.


**\*Please note that a special meeting will be held on May 16th at 6:30.**

Submitted By:



Sharon Beyda, Secretary

Accepted By:



Chuck Currie, Chairman