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MINUTES

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING, TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2010 ERLINGHAUSER ROOM 7:00 PM

The Economic Development Commission held a regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 6, 2010. The meeting began at 7:00 P.M.

Roll call:

James Prestiano	absent
Sandro Epifano	present
James Hooker	present
William Luneski	absent
William Gallant	present
Greg Seccombe	absent
Tracy Edwards	absent
Terry Goldson	absent
Ralphine Ford	present

4 present, 5 absent

A quorum was not present.

also present:

John Marini, Alderman

Mr. Epifano declared the meeting open at 7:15. The meeting began with the pledge of allegiance to the flag. A quorum was not present. As a quorum was not present, Mr. Epifano and Mr. Hooker left. Alderman Marini requested that the remaining members stay for a bit to share some information with them. The Secretary was also requested to stay for a bit.

Alderman Marini stated that regarding the business campaign, he has requested that Mr. Perry go out and meet the business owners throughout the city and find out what concerns that they have. A list was

compiled of all of the known businesses, both “brick and mortar” and home-based, in the city. The list contained over 300 businesses. Unfortunately, the board is already aware that there are some businesses that are not contained in the list. He also stated that he would like to get surveys out to the business owners. The goal is to gather as much information as possible and ultimately have a Public Forum with the business owners in the end.

Alderman Marini then stated that with regard to the website, he would like to see it “tweaked” a bit. He suggested that a few more clickable tabs be added that would aid someone looking to become a business owner in Ansonia. The tab would be similar to that of the ones on the Chamber of Congresses site. He then stated that the board should do whatever it could to attract new business into the city. He suggested that the Board begin to start thinking “outside the box”.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Sardinha
Secretary