ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE MEETING
MINUTES
May 18, 2022

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Reifel at 6:00 p.m.

2. Members present: Reifel, Jonas, Andrews, Butler, Sias
Members absent: Blease, Magaluk

3. Moved by Jonas, seconded by Butler, to approve the May 18, 2022, agenda as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Moved by Butler, seconded by Sias, to approve the April 20, 2022, minutes as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Public comments: None.

6. Board Members discussed Pine Street, from Wm. Ferry Park to Ridge Avenue. Comments given:
   - Reviewed having a walking tour to meet business owners.
   - Need to personally invite business owners to meet EDTF Members during the walking tour.
   - Scheduled the walking tour for Friday, June 17, 9AM.
   - Board Member Butler agreed to meet with business owners to invite them to the walking tour.
   - Consider asking MDOT to reduce Pine Street to one lane in each direction from Wm. Ferry Park to Third Street.
   - There are empty suites at Keenan Marina.

7. Board Members Discussed a sunset date for the EDTF. Comments given:
   - Members signed up for a short term.
   - It is beneficial to the City to have the EDTF as a long-term committee.
   - Having a member of the Chamber involved gives her more knowledge of the City.
   - To get more people into Ferrysburg, need demand. Perhaps advertise City parks.
   - Have a representative of the Michigan Economic Development Corporation come and talk to the EDTF.
   - Need wayfinding signage at the end of the US-31 southbound ramp to Third Street.

8. Public Comments: None.

9. Members Comments: None.

10. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Craig Bessinger, Acting Secretary