

DRAFT
Economic Development Committee
8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m., Wednesday, April 26, 2017
Meeting Minutes

Present: Dick Wambach (Chair), Todd Baright, Amanda Bodian, Harry Colgan (*ex officio*), Chris Klose (Secretary), Ken Migliorelli, George Verrilli, members; Ed Blundell (Mayor of Red Hook), Kim McGrath (Red Hook Area Chamber of Commerce)

Not Present: Dan Budd, Kristina Dousharm, Erin Moore, Kevin Mowry, Marty Reilingh, Jessica Stingo, members; Brent Kovalchik (Deputy Mayor of Red Hook)

Call to Order: With a quorum present, Mr. Wambach called the meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

Minutes: On a motion by Ms. Bodian and second by Dr. Verrilli, the Committee unanimously approved the Minutes of the meeting of April 12, 2017.

Old Business:

- **Sewer System Update** – Mr. Blundell reported that the financing for the new system is underway, as are the transfer documents regarding the Red Hook Commons treatment plant and accompanying acreage and the Village’s new sewer law. Construction bids are to be let later this fall, with groundbreaking scheduled for spring of 2018.
- **Promoting the Village** – Ms. McGrath reported “lots of activity” is underway by the local retailers, including “First Friday” plans and a focus on the village’s “bricks-and-mortar” retailers for Apple Blossom Day May 13. The Committee thanked her for working with the merchants, who are to be invited to a “lessons learned” session (from this year’s Apple Blossom Day) with the Committee at its May 24th meeting.
- **Community Calendar** – Chairman Wambach pointed out the calendar is woefully underutilized and urged members to encourage individuals and organizations to participate.
- **Red Hook Community Center** – Dr. Verrilli reported a successful April 22nd “Open House” for the Center and that he is going to ask Ken Carney, who owns the Commons, to help arrange bus transportation for Commons seniors to Community Center activities.

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Next Meeting: 8:30 a.m., Wednesday, My 12, at the Village Hall, second floor.

Adjournment: On a motion by Dr. Verrilli and second by Ms. Bodian, Chairman Wambach adjourned the meeting at 9:26 a.m.

Respectfully submitted: Christopher Klose, Secretary