

**WESTCHESTER ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
EDC MEETING MINUTES- January 8, 2024**

1. Call to Order- 7:38 a.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Present: Darlene Barber, Pastor Joe Mills, Jeannie Helgesen, Village Representative Director of Community Development Jim Novosel, Trustee Victoria Vann)

4. Village Updates from New Community Development Director-Jim Novosel discussion held, which included, Economic Development Committee Consultant Cindy Klima interviews are ongoing within the village/ with committee members; also, Aperion Care Rehabilitation Center possibly considering having a Grand Re-Opening(tbd); Fresh Meadow Golf Course has extended their lease for one more year,

5. Active Agenda-

A. Motion to approve meeting minutes of December 18, 2023, Jeannie Helgesen, second Darlene Barber, all in favor; minutes approved.

6. New Business- Discussions held regarding the possibility of new start time for EDC meetings.

7. Old Business

A. Discussions held on highlighting Westchester Lock/Key in the Addison Creek District for the monthly village newsletter March of 2024. And, highlighting Sha- Poppin Gourmet Popcorn LLC in the Fountain District in April 2024 edition.

B. Minimal discussions held on next Education Event; Pastor Joe Mills will follow-up with Allison Muzal regarding presentation.

C. District Liaisons discussed status of the 7 Districts, no new information to report.

D. Report on growing the EDC and discussing Term Limits.

E. EDC Business Cards- Jim Novosel currently in the process of ordering.

8. Opening Public Participation: Village resident Mrs. Leann Pettis was in attendance and offered suggestions on business she would like to see highlighted in the Monthly Village Newsletter and information to include. Also, Stacy Hawkins-Armstrong Owner of Sha-Poppin Gourmet Popcorn LLC was also in attendance expressing her interest in becoming an EDC member, having businesses addresses information updated on the Village Website, and how she continues to network and collaborate with other businesses within the village.

9. Motion to adjourn Darlene Barber, Jeannie Helgesen, second all in favor; meeting adjourned at 8:30 am, all in favor.