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MANTUA TOWNSHIP ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES OF
June 8, 2015

- In attendance: Howard Bruner, Michelle Bruner, Sharon Lawrence, Susan Baldwin, Ronald Concordia, Lita Abele, Bill Krebs.

Guests: None. No members of Public Present.

- Meeting opened at 5:35 p.m. by all present.
- A motion was made by Susan Baldwin seconded by Butch Bruner to approve the April 13, 2015 Committee Minutes. All in favor. No opposed.
- Struthers Dunn Redevelopment project – Michelle discussed with those present interested project requests that have come in for this site (solar farm, parking expansion, warehousing/office space). The solar farm information was passed around to those present and members discussed it. It was discussed and agreed upon by all to discuss these inquiries with Jennica Bileci, Township Administrator so they can be discussed by Township Committee. Those present agreed that we should inform the Township that getting something on site to generate income for Township is a priority and having a Request for Proposals Day would be a great start to generating varied and interesting proposals for consideration, including those that have been submitted to date to Michelle and mentioned above, for consideration.
- Inversand Redevelopment Project:
 - Fossil Park Project:
 - The Spring Fossil Event season has just been completed. Michelle discussed the events list handed out that identifies 7,742 guests that have been out to this site to date.
 - Michelle discussed the upcoming community fossil dig day event scheduled for Sat. September 26th 2015 (Rain Date Sunday September 27th).

- Michelle stated that the Township is working diligently to be creative with our fossil team and educators to find the funding to acquire this property for the fossil park project by January 1, 2016. We will keep everyone updated on our progress.
 - Michelle informed everyone that the Spring/Summer Newsletter piece is out and our sections looked great.
 - We are heading to NJDEP to discuss permits in late January and get some questions answered with our team of local and county representatives for this project site.
 - Michelle informed those present the SJ Magazine and TV Broadcast group was out filming this past Friday's fossil event. She will let everyone know when this and the Born to Explore episodes air.
- Michelle informed those present that they received an email for the date of the site tour for 570 Mantua Boulevard where open space is available and also KEE Action Sports facility. She asked anyone present if they are willing to attend the walk through to let her know.
- Michelle discussed a meeting that was had recently with the Delaware Valley Wholesale Florist Group to assist them with expansion ideas within Mantua borders.
- Michelle discussed the site inventory listing drive bys have primarily been completed and she will look to start calling property owners for more information in the near future.
- Michelle discussed how 2015/2016 will be highlighting businesses via the business information form that has been getting processed during the Fire Marshall's inspections. Michelle will continue to inform the MTEDC of new businesses opening up so we may welcome them to Mantua.
- Sharon Lawrence stated she saw the clip with Dr. Lacovara on GQ regarding the fossil project.
- Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 14, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.
- Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. Motion made by Ron Concordia and seconded by Lita Abele.