

1. EDC Meeting Minutes

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Economic Development Committee
Wednesday, February 8, 2023
Meeting Minutes

Present: Kristina Dousharm [KD] (Chair), Amanda Bodian [AB1], Dan Budd [DB], Maarty Reilingh [MR], Chris Klose [CK] (Secretary), Emily Sachar [ES], Jacob Testa [JT] (Town Board member *ex officio*) members; Melkorka Kjarval [MK] (Trustee, Village of Red Hook), Carly Migliorelli [CM], Kendra Sinclair [KS] (Reclaimed Motel)

Call to Order: With a quorum present, Chair Dousharm called the meeting to order at 8:49 a.m.

Minutes: Meeting Minutes of 11-09-2022 and 11-23-2022 moved by MR with a second by ES were approved unanimously.

Updates: KD – MK: 70+ properties hooked into the sewer; 09/23 = Hardscrabble Day; 2023 Village election in March; ES: Town Board calling for public hearing on purchase of Cookingham property (resolution to approve the public hearing); JT confirms goal is to preserve farm land on the east of Rt. 9; closing within 60 days with Town owning the land outright with funds coming from the Community Preservation Fund; Town will reapply for funds to upgrade the Comprehensive Plan; Town's 9-member Housing Committee is organizing, with chair to be elected;

ES: Dutchess Tourism director coming to 03-22 meeting to listen to our priorities; KD – develop topics for that meeting in advance, including hotel/motel and agro-tourism interests;

KS: non-profit funding resources (Hudson Valley Nonprofit Collab); bring some of our experts for a one and one-half day workshop in re: what do Red Hook non-profits need and want; dates in March TBD;

DB: Red Hook Responds searching for permanent executive director, someone with food service background; \$50K salary/full time position; largest demand since Covid pandemic, with 1,000 meals served in December; need more volunteers, too;

Nex Meeting: 8:40 a.m., Wednesday, February 22, 2023.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 9:46 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Christopher Klose, Secretary