

Approved Economic Development Committee Meeting

Monday, February 9, 2026, 5:05pm

1. **Call to order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Roll Call:** Pastor Joe Mills, Jeannie Helgesen, Darlene Barber, Stacy Hawkins (not present), Deanna Forney, Community Development Director Jim Novosel, Trustee Liaison Terrence Jones (not present)
4. **Community Development Director/ Trustee Liaison Updates:** Jim Novosel mentioned, discussions/negotiations are underway for a redevelopment project for the Manheim and Roosevelt corridor with the XCEED Development Company and the family that owns the Culver's restaurant chains, they're proposing purchasing 4 pods for possible retail space, an ordinance will be passed at tomorrow's Village Board meeting regarding a possible TIF reimbursement if all is approved; Papa John's Pizza and Sha Poppin Gourmet Popcorn are now closed. Kriser Pet Store will be opening soon and looking to do a grand opening soon; Steak and Hoagies, located at 3062 Wolf Rd, are still in the process of opening, they are planning for a Soft Opening on February 17th and Grand Opening February 18th.
5. **Active Agenda:** Jeannie Helgesen motion to approve meeting minutes of the January 12, 2026, meeting, second by Deanna Forney; all in favor, minutes unanimously approved.
6. **New Business:**
 - A. **Business Spotlight:** Discussion were held regarding Business Spotlights for the next few months. Possible businesses to interview are underway. Deanna Forney will meet with Owner of Young Prince Restaurant to start the spotlight process with them.
7. **Old Business: Discussions** were held regarding the Spotlight Bows Initiative. EDC has agreed on the cost/quantity being proposed by CAG Wholesale is reasonable; Jim Novesel with speak with Barry Krumstok regarding next steps.

Discussions were held regarding the Educational Event; District Reports were discussed; the EDC Comprehensive Plan discussions are being deferred.
8. **Public Participation:** Tom Forney was in attendance; he would like to have a list of all of the active businesses within the Village.
9. **New Business:** Darlene Barber proposed the EDC consider starting a Restaurant Week this year.
10. **Motion to adjourn:** Motion to adjourn Jeannie Helgesen, second Deanna Forney all in favor; meeting unanimously adjourned at 5:59pm