



MCHENRY COUNTY
HARVARD/WOODSTOCK ENTERPRISE ZONE
MINUTES • MARCH 17, 2017

Public Meeting

Conference Room C

10:30 AM

667 Ware Rd., Woodstock, IL 60098

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at: 10:34 AM by Mark Saladin.

PRESENT: Smith, Saladin, O'Connor (Remote), Nelson, Stricker

ABSENT:

Charles Eldridge, Zone Administrator

II. MINUTES APPROVAL

Mr. Stricker made a motion seconded by Mr. Smith to allow Mr. O'Connor to participate remotely. All members present voted AYE.

1. Harvard/Woodstock Enterprise Zone - Public Meeting - Jan 20, 2017 10:00 AM

Mr. Stricker made a motion seconded by Mr. Smith to approve the minutes. All members present voted AYE.

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mark Stricker
SECONDER:	Larry W Smith
AYES:	Smith, Saladin, O'Connor, Nelson, Stricker

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. Intergovernmental Agreement

Mr. Eldridge reported that the State is still working on enterprise zone applications and reports for the current year. The State expects to provide a response to the Zone regarding proposed changes to the IGA by July 2017.

V. FINANCIAL REPORTING

1. Budget for Fiscal Year 2018

Mr. O'Connor suggested the zone administrator to use a corporate or business email address when communicating about the Zone.

Mr. Nelson made a motion seconded by Mr. Smith to approve the 2018 Budget. A roll call vote was taken:

O'Connor:	Yes
Stricker:	Yes
Nelson:	Yes
Smith:	Yes
Saladin: Yes	

The Budget was adopted 5-0.

2. Review and Approve Bills

Outstanding bills include the administrator's phone bill and business trips to Chicago. Mr. Eldridge is expecting to receive the bills after the meeting.

3. Financial Status

The County Associate Administrator-Finance will provide an updated financial statement.

Mr. Eldridge reports the zone has more revenue than expected due to payments from Pedigree Ovens.

VI. FORMS, REGULATIONS AND DRAFT MATERIALS

Mr. Eldridge reported there will be some new State regulations for the Zone. Changes are not finalized but he expects additional reporting will be required.

VII. INTERACTIVE MAP

By the following week, the website will have a button to the GIS map.

In the next 30 days, the Zone will have a trifold marketing piece with information from the website.

VIII. WEBSITE

None.

IX. ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

The administrator reported the following:

* Reviewed Charter Dura-Bar's fee for equipment purchases

* Edwards Technology, LLC will be operating at the former Motorola facility. The application has been signed but there are still some outstanding issues. The project is approximately \$32 million in equipment and remodeling and is expected to result in at least 200 jobs, including construction. The company is filing for additional tax relief from the State.

* To Mr. Eldridge's knowledge, half of enterprise zone projects have filed reports to the State. Unsure about building material vendors and subcontractors.

* Presentation to the McHenry County Council of Governments

* Mr. Eldridge reports to have attended several lunches in Chicago with prospective businesses interested in the Zone. He feels there is more opportunity this year for retail. The real estate market seems very strong in Chicago.

X. OLD BUSINESS

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 21st at 10:30am.

Mr. Stricker made a motion seconded by Mr. Smith to adjourn. All members present voted AYE.