

**Economic Development Council
APPROVED MINUTES**

November 17, 2017

Mt. Lebanon Municipal Building – Conference Room C
710 Washington Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15228
7:30 A.M.

In attendance:

John Vogel, Chris Musuneggi, Cheri Acrey, Elaine Evosevich (phone), Raelin Musuraca, Ray Giarrusso
Rebecca Wanovich, Bill Callahan, Rick Sabeh, Steve Denenberg, John Bendel

Commission Liaison: John Bendel (Kelly Fraasch attended as a Board member of The Partnership)

Guest Speaker: None

Staff: Eric Milliron

- I. **Call to Order:** Ray Giarrusso called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.
- II. **Citizen's Comments:** None.
- III. **Approval of Minutes from October 27, 2017:** EDC review both sets of minutes. John Vogel made a motion to approve. Motion was seconded by Raelin Musuraca. Passed unanimously.
- IV. **Introductions** – This was a joint meeting of the EDC + Mt. Lebanon Partnership. All in attendance introduced themselves along with their role.
- V. **Presentations** – Two presentations to the joint meeting were offered by Eric Milliron + Mara Dowdy of the Mt. Lebanon Partnership.
 - a. Eric Milliron made a presentation regarding the history, importance and impact of the Main Street program. Mt. Lebanon has been highly successful in implementing this program for ten years.
 - b. Mara Dowdy made a presentation about how zoning can foster vibrant business districts and positively impact property values beyond the defined business districts.

Discussion after presentations led to a motion passed by both the EDC + Mt. Lebanon Partnership:

Motion by Ray Giarrusso -> *The Economic Development Council recommends that the Municipal Planning Board and Commission pursue language in the zoning code to protect the retail and restaurant mix along appropriate commercial streets in Mt. Lebanon.*

Seconded by Chris Musuneggi.

Passed Unanimously.

- VI. **Adjourn** – Cheri Acrey made a motion to adjourn at 9a. Motion seconded by John Vogel. Passed unanimously.