

Lower Makefield Township
Economic Development Commission
Summary Meeting Minutes
October 25, 2011

Present: Robert Smith, Chairman
Edmund Kuszmar, Vice Chairman
Margaret Fine Levy
Cynthia Osofsky
Pete Stainthorpe, Supervisor Liaison

The October 25, 2011 meeting of LMT's Economic Development Commission was called to order at 7:30PM.

The first order of business was approval of the minutes from the August 23, 2011 meeting. The minutes were unanimously approved as written.

Public Comment – Bobbie Moore representing Yardley Business Assoc. and Susan Fagan of Tandem Media Group talked about the Green Vendor Expo and additional ways that the YBA and EDC can work together.

Green Vendor Expo - Mr. Kuszmar provided a post-event report on the Green Vendor Expo 19067 that the LMTEDC, LMT Environmental Advisory Council, Yardley Business Association (YBA) and the Morrisville Business Association co-sponsored. He reported that the event was successfully held at Makefield Elementary School on October 22, 2011, from 10AM-2PM. Tours of the school, which recently went through a 'green' renovation, were popular. A number of businesses and organizations exhibited including Bucks County Community College's Green Jobs Academy and the LMT Farmers Market. Feedback from the vendors was positive. The minimal expenses associated with the event were covered by the YBA and LMT Twp. Manager's office. EDC members complimented Mr. Kuszmar for his leadership and work on this event along with Ms. Bray.

Supervisor's Report - Mr. Stainthorpe provided a brief update on the Edgewood Village redevelopment project. Construction is progressing on phase one which includes both new and restored structures that will house a bank branch, deli, ice cream 'barn' and an apartment. Planning and approvals continue on phase 2 'Flowers Fields.' Mr. Smith suggested that we invite either Mr. Troilo, the developer or Mr. Van Dyke, streetscape architect, to make a presentation at an upcoming EDC mtg. Mr. Stainthorpe also reported briefly on ongoing construction and related road improvements at the Octagon (Matrix) development. The medical office building is near completion, the first residences are under construction and road work is underway.

Old Business - Mr. Smith reported on discussions with Target Communications, successor to City Map Project, regarding the production of a new map and business directory. The sentiment of the EDC was to explore a print and/or online business directory but not a printed map. Mr. Smith agreed to look into it and report on same at the next mtg. There was also a brief discussion about liquor licenses in LMT as a result of positions taken by LMT Board of Supervisors candidates. No action items resulted from that discussion.

Following the mtg. commissioners agreed to reschedule the November mtg. to November 29th and to cancel the December meeting. Mr. Smith notified the Twp. Manager's office and the website was updated.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert F. Smith, Chairman