

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BAYFRONT CORRIDOR COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2015 AT 7:30 A.M.
IN THE SANDUSKY CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
SANDUSKY, OHIO**

PRESENT:

Members: Chairman Carl McGookey, Dave Miller, Mike Zuilhof, Steve Poggiali, Joe Hayberger, Mark Harrington, Lance Warner, John Lippus and Secretary Kevin Zeiher. .

Also present was City Staff Employee Angie Byington and Matt Lasko.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 A.M. by Chairman McGookey.

**MINUTES OF THE
PREVIOUS MEETING:**

The minutes of the January 8, 2015 meeting had been circulated, and the minutes were approved as submitted on a motion made by Mr. Warner and seconded by Mr. Harrington. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORT

City Planning Director Angie Byington introduced Matt Lasko the Chief Development Officer for the City who will oversee, the Building Department, Code Enforcement, Economic Development and Housing. He joins the city after working with City Manager Eric Wobser.

City Planning Director Angie Byington reported that she had spoken to a representative of ODNR concerning the Surf's Up property and it proposed use by BGSU. She was told that the proposed use would not comply with the restrictions placed on the grant. However, the inquiry was sent to the National Park Service for their consideration. Unfortunately, the Park Service also rejected the request. In addition paying the grant back would not change the grant restrictions that will run in perpetuity.

Mr. Warner suggested that a sub-committee be formed to investigate other waterfront sites for development and in addition to Mr. Warner, Mr. Zuilhof, Mr. Harrington and Mr. Hayberger volunteered.

Mr. McGookey inquired about the Stowe-Woodward property and its clean up and Ms. Byington reported that any environmental concerns were being investigated by the private owner.

Mr. Lippus inquired if there had been a request for RFP for the Keller building and Ms. Byington stated that none were in place however one would be worked up for several sites.

Mr. Warner suggested that the Charter Review committee might include a provision to recognize the overall cost to the city when a private parcel is acquired in lost tax revenue as well the cost of maintenance.

Mr. Lippus inquired if there had been any discussion about the Owen Sound Co. ferry returning to the city which would require a reactivation of the dock to accommodate the front loader. Ms. Byington had not heard any discussion.

Chesapeake Park was discussed and the need for some green space maintenance. City Manager Wobser reported that the city is in the process of putting together a long term master plan to address projects. The Bayfront Corridor Committee will be involved in helping to formulate a 5 year plan over the next several months. This Master Plan would allow the city to meet commitments for development within a realistic financial framework.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

COMMUNITY INPUT

There was no community input.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Committee the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 A.M. upon a motion by Mr. Harrington, seconded by Mr. Hayberger. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the Bayfront Corridor Committee is scheduled for March 5, 2015 at 7:30 AM in the City Commission Chambers.

Kevin J. Zeiher, Secretary

Mission Statement: *The Bayfront Corridor Committee, a cross-section of community stakeholders serving at the pleasure of City Commission, reviews proposed waterfront development projects relative to adopted city plans and their benefit to the community and makes recommendations to the administration and City Commission with the purpose of maximizing the advantages of Sandusky's strategic location on Lake Erie.*