The Hamilton- Indian Springs Joint Economic Development District Board held a Board Meeting Thursday, February 16, 2017 at the Administration Building, 6032 Morris Road, Hamilton, OH 45011, for the purpose of conducting a district board meeting. Meeting was called to order by Mrs. Hartkemeyer, President of the Board, at 8:31 A.M.

### ROLL CALL

Mrs. Hartkemeyer Present
Carla Fiehrer Present
Julie Vonderhaar Present

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

No old business

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**Barney Landry** - 5870 Headgates Road, it is my understanding a new or additional JEDD might be proposed for some property in the Township for an additional agreement between the City of Hamilton and Fairfield Township. The current JEDD between the City of Hamilton and Fairfield Township was created by an agreement between those governing bodies authorized by Ohio Law and approved by the voters of both communities. This board was not given the authority to create any new JEDD. This board has no legal basis for creating a new JEDD.

**Mr. Barbiere** – this board is not going to create a new JEDD, that is not the purpose of this meeting. If there is action taken it will be to amend the current JEDD, to add some property to it, it would not be to create a new JEDD. If action is taken it will be by the Hamilton City Council and Township Trustees not by this JEDD board.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

JEDD Balances and Worksheets – **Eric Hein**, I am the Tax Commissioner for the City of Hamilton and also third party administrator for the Joint Economic Development District for Fairfield Township and Hamilton.

**JEDD I** – report ending December 2016 collected \$642,941.58, refunds issued \$4,354.99, net income tax receipts \$638,586.59, for 2016 this was an increase of 10.16% in tax revenue. This is the property located at Walmart, Kohl's and Menards.

**JEDD II** – report ending December 2016 collected \$623,079.84, this is a 17.28% increase from the prior year.

## **Board Member Discussion**

Mrs. Hartkemeyer – We need to appoint an additional Board member. We would like to give consideration to a Township resident, Robert Stratton, he has lived in the Township for at least 10 years. Mr. Stratton is interested in the position, he said it is an honor to be considered and I will serve to the best of my ability.

Mrs. Vonderhaar – Mr. Stratton would be available to conference call if the board is interested. He is very interested in serving; he loves the community. He has been to several board meetings and from everything I know is an upstanding citizen. Mr. Stratton would be the independent party if you feel he meets the needs of the board. Once the board has three members we would need to pick a business owner and an employee in the JEDD area.

**Motion** made by Mrs. Hartkemeyer, second by Mrs. Fiehrer to appoint Robert Stratton to the JEDD board. All in favor.

# **Gilmore and Kettering Land Discussion**

**Mrs. Vonderhaar** – the Township has been actively working with the county and the City of Hamilton bringing water and sewer, figuring out a potential JEDD and future development in that whole corridor. Wanted to see if anyone had any question. I will keep everyone updated as more information progresses.

## Set next Meeting with purpose of appointing two additional Board Members

Mrs. Hartkemeyer - Mr. Stratton did indicate he could make it up within the next few weeks.

Mrs. Vonderhaar – Mr. Stratton said if we could have the next meeting on a Friday he should be available either the 24<sup>th</sup> or March 3<sup>rd</sup>. I have spoken with Michael Jodrey, he is the manager at Walmart and a very active supporter of this area. He could possibly be the employee; I have no leads on the business owner. If anyone has a suggestion, please let me know.

Mrs. Hartkemeyer – We will tentatively look at March 3 @ 8:30 AM for our next meeting.

**Motion** made by Mrs. Hartkemeyer, second by Mrs. Fiehrer to adjourn JEDD Board Meeting at 9:05 A.M. All in favor.

Minutes submitted by:	
Shannon Hartkemeyer, President	
Carla Fiehrer, Secretary	