

Meeting Notes

20/20 Economic Development Sub-Committee

Time and date: 8:00 AM, Friday, April 8, 2011

Location: Town Hall Room 101

Attendees: Steve Baboulis , Dianne Barber Kansas, Keith Bennett, John Guastella, George Leveille, Joe Richardson, Brian Stenson

Staff present: Mike Morelli, Terry Ritz, Robin Nagengast

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- 1. Review of January 24, 2011 Meeting Notes:** The meeting notes were accepted.
 - 2. Vista Tech Campus update:** Joe Richardson reviewed the timing of the bond offering for the infrastructure for the Vista Technology Campus. Joe advised the next steps are finalizing the Construction Manager and Inspector contracts (estimated for the week of April 11), the Town Board resolution approving the PILOT concept (tentatively April 27) and a bond closing (tentatively May 2).
 - 3. SYID update:** Christo Zemerling recently announced his departure from SABIC. The group needs to pause and consider the best way to go forward. This segued into the broader discussion of Town-wide economic development initiatives.
 - 4. Discussion of Town-wide economic development partnership:** There was a discussion of how to coordinate efforts to collaborate with the Bethlehem Industrial Development Agency, considering the anticipated increase to capacity of the BIDA as a result of fee income generated by the Vista Technology Campus. A joint action plan could tie incentives to improvements consistent with the comprehensive plan. One of the concepts discussed was a partial grant program to help property owners implement recommendations of the Delaware Avenue Hamlet study such as the replacement of non-conforming signs along the Delaware Avenue Hamlet corridor. George Leveille and Mike Morelli will meet and come back with ideas.
 - 5. Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the sub-committee is scheduled for Monday, May 9, at 7:30 AM in Town Hall.