



Minutes  
Economic Development Committee  
October 2, 2013  
8:00 AM  
Town Hall Board Room

**Committee Members Present**

David Purvis, Phil Dangel, Naoko Blue, Ron Pinchok, R. Knick Myers, Bob Markli, Ginny McLain-Tate, Jim Nixon, David Smoak

**Committee Members Absent**

Jim Holladay

**Staff Present**

Valerie Millsapps

**Other**

Bettye Sisco and Tim Williams with the Farragut/West Knox Chamber of Commerce  
Allison Sousa with the Farragut Business Alliance

**Approval of the Minutes**

Mr. Purvis moved to approve the September 4, 2013 minutes. Mr. Dangel seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**Discussion of Economic Development Committee Work Program for FY2014**

Mr. Smoak discussed the Work Program FY2014 with the group and the importance of the EDC's focus be on goals 2 and 4 of the Boards Strategic Plan. Mr. Pinchok reviewed each goal with the group for discussion. Mr. Smoak challenged the group to rate each work program item and Town staff will formalize for the next meeting.

**Status Updates**

- a. **Farragut Business Alliance:** Mr. Purvis stated next week the Tennessee Supreme Court Chief Justice Gary Wade will highlight the importance of community involvement and how it has looked in various Tennessee communities. This event will be held at Fox Den on October 10 at 12 noon.

Ms. Sousa stated the Taste of Farragut attendance was down this year. Last year the Taste of Farragut had 1400 attendees to 1200 this year. The FBA are currently going over funds.

Shop Farragut forms will go out to the business community the 3<sup>rd</sup> week of October. The Light the Park event will be held Monday, December 2 at 6pm.

- b. **Farragut/West Knox Chamber :** Ms. Sisco stated the Chamber had 8 new members, several networkings, and 13 ribbon cuttings. The breakfast event with Dr. Bass was well attended with over 150 attendees.
- c. **Town of Farragut :** Mr. Smoak stated the Town has had 86 home starts this year. Last year the Town had a total of 84. Mr. Smoak mentioned several new projects in the area.

**Any other Business**

Mr. Myers stated the Parade of Homes starts Friday at Noon. Download the myhomefound app to map out homes around you. Mr. Myers stated they have 5 homes in Town.

Mr. Myers stated that October fest will be October 10. Parking will available at the church across from Renaissance.

Mr. Myers suggested a discussion be held at the next meeting regarding people standing out in the street holding signs.

Mr. Nixon requested that Mr. Smoak email a letter to the Farragut Press on a recent article published in the Farragut Press.

Mr. Dangel moved to adjourn at 9:55 AM. Ms. McLain-Tate seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

**Next meeting Wednesday, November 6, 2013 at 8 AM.**

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Ron Pinchok  
Chairman