



2023

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Rizzo's Bar and Inn

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**Meeting Minutes
Special Service Area #17
July 12, 2023
Lakeview East Chamber of Commerce
In Person and via (Zoom) Meeting**

ATTENDANCE:

IN PERSON: David Gassman, David Blitz, Jeanne Saliture, Juliana Montebello-Roman, Eric Kirsammer, Todd Hyatt

ZOOM: David Blitz, Jeanne Saliture, Andrew Rizzo,

EXCUSED: Jim Schuman, John Bucksbaum,

STAFF: Maureen Martino, Nata Wier

CALL TO ORDER: In the absence of Jim Schuman, Maureen Martino called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion to approve the July 12, 2023, meeting agenda by Jeanne Saliture and seconded by Erik Kirsammer and was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to approve the meeting minutes of April 26, 2023, by David Gassman and seconded by Erik Kirsammer and was unanimously approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Maureen Martino presented the financial reports and noted that the tax payments for 2023 have been coming in slowly. Maureen Martino noted that the Chamber supplemented the invoices for 2022 and has received the reimbursements from the 2022 tax collections. Maureen Martino went on to discuss the placement of new banners. A motion to approve the financial report and balance sheet as presented by Jeanne Saliture and seconded by David Blitz was unanimously approved.

Maureen Martino went on to note that we would like to have an event over on Eddy Street in November for the Northwestern game, we are going to work with the Alderman.

Q2 REPORT A motion to approve the 2023 Q2 Workplan by Jeanne Saliture and seconded by Juliana Montebello-Roman was unanimously approved.

2024 BUDGET AND WORKPLAN APPROVAL

A motion to approve the 2024 budget and workplan by Jeanne Saliture and Juliana Montebello – Roman was unanimously approved.

A motion to retain LVECC as the Sole Service Provider with presented scope of services by Jeanne Saliture and seconded by Juliana Montebello – Roman was unanimously approved.

SOLE SERVICE PROVIDER UPDATES:

MAINTENANCE: Maureen Martino reviewed the maintenance report and noted that the crew has been doing daily maintenance of the routes. All of the equipment is maintained and in working order. The crew has been removing graffiti on the routes and contacting the city to remove any graffiti that they cannot remove.

RECONSTITUTION/BIDS: Maureen Martino we be exploring reconstituting next year or in 2025. We will be working with an Urban Planner to identify all taxable properties.

A document was presented to the commissioners from Mark Roschen pertaining to the Illinois Business Improvement District (BID) a discussion ensued and we will be bringing in a speaker to answer any questions in a future meeting.

FAÇADE REBATES: No new facades at this time.

MARKETING AND PROMOTIONS: Maureen Martino noted that the Leaseinlakeview.com is starting to see results and responses have been coming in. We will be adding housing and advertising with a broker promotional happy hour to come.

BEAUTIFICATION AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT:

Maureen Martino mentioned that she has been trying to work on the mural at the Outerworld Theatre.

Juliana Montebello-Roman noted that it would be a great idea to put a kiosk in the area of Seminary and Irving to advertising the businesses in the Sheridan Corridor. We will be looking into purchasing one and displaying advertisements.

Jeanne Saliture mentioned that the garbage cans (Solar cans) on the South side of Sheffield near the VIC have been overflowing on Sunday nights. Maureen Martino will be discussing the issue with the Maintenance crew on the routes to assist with this issue.

An updated vacancy listing was provided in the packet and Maureen Martino went on to discuss new businesses, closures and coming soon businesses.

ADJOURNMENT: A Motion to adjourn the meeting by Jeanne Saliture and seconded by Todd Hyatt was unanimously approved and Maureen Martino adjourned the meeting at 11:05 am.