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Business Development Committee
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Present: Chair Melissa Horner, Jack Murphy, Russ McMullen, Diane Schroeder, Dana Lee

The committee discussed a Business After Hours event for late May (18th, 25th or June 1). The Committee reviewed the draft invitation created by Chairman Horner and suggested some changes. The Town Manager would be invited to answer questions regarding TIF, sewer pumps, bonding, etc. The committee reviewed a draft agenda for the event – 5:30 – 7:30 pm. Several businesses are very disappointed in a perceived lack of support, and they are wanting a way to be heard. This event would allow them to network and discuss local, upcoming events. Russ would like to review some of the Comp Plan tasks that have not been address – 50' setback, general business zones, lot sizes, etc. Melissa would like to offer suggestions on how to get more involved in local events / decisions.

Diane noted that we need to try and focus on the positive, and not focus on business owners' fears or anger. She suggested trying the approach of "if these were fixed, imagine what could be, the positive outcomes..." It was also suggested that we bring easel paper / white board to write notes / ideas.

The committee will meet again on Monday, April 18 to finalize and begin mailing of invites.

Melissa and Dana will try to lock down the Regatta. Dana will update the draft agenda.

Russ made a motion to adjourn at 5:25 pm. This was seconded by Jack and was so voted unanimously.

Sincerely submitted,


Dana K. Lee