



**I. Call to Order**

Chairman Kowalski called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM.

**II. Attendance**

Present: Deb Leverence, Jeff McLaughlin, Ed Kowalski, Lovedia Stap, Rachel McKenzie, Craig vanMelle, Mike Walsh

Absent: Sheila Dever, Jim Freeman

Others

Present: Robert Hillard, Dan Chilla, Nora Balgoyen-Williams

**III. Approval of the Previous Minutes**

L. Stap, supported by E. Kowalski, made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of May 1, 2013. Motion passed by acclamation.

**IV. Old Business**

1. Corridor Business Committee

D. Chilla indicated that some of the business owners on the Highway Corridor want to be involved in economic development along the corridor. R. Hillard indicated some of the efforts undertaken in the past, but would be please to meet with interested individuals to participate. D. Chilla indicated that two business persons have agreed to meet, with a couple more members expressing support. He will contact R. Hillard to set up a meeting.

2. Redevelopment Ready Community Program

The AEDC reviewed the meeting which was held with the City Council on the program. R. Hillard is in the process of completing a pre-evaluation, and hopes the results of the State review will be delivered to the City by the end of the Summer.

3. Riverfront Development Meeting.....UPDATE

R. Hillard announced the final meeting of the riverfront design will be held June 18, 2013, at 7:00P, at the Griswold Auditorium. A volunteer fair is being coordinated as well, to invite individuals to be a part of the future of Allegan.

4. Allegan County College Access Network.....DISCUSSION

R. Hillard and Nora Balgoyen-Williams updated the committee on the Allegan County College Access Network Committee in order to raise the awareness of the importance of college education and certifications after high school

**V. New Business**

**VII. Minutes and Reports**

\*Positively Allegan (Rachel, Deb, Jeff)

The AEDC reviewed the activity conducted by the Committee.

\*Restructuring Committee (Lovedia, Craig, Mike, Jim)

The AEDC reviewed the activity conducted by the Committee.

\*Aesthetics Committee (Deb, Lovedia)

The AEDC reviewed the activity conducted by the Committee.

\*Downtown Development Authority (Lovedia, Tom, Rachel, Deb)

The AEDC reviewed the activity conducted by the DDA.

\*Highland Business Park - Architectural Control Committee (Mike)

The AEDC reviewed the activity conducted by the Committee.

\*Allegan Area Chamber of Commerce

The AEDC reviewed the activity conducted by the Allegan Area Chamber of Commerce.

**VII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 12:57P. The next meeting is scheduled for July 3, 2013, at 12:00N, at the Griswold Auditorium.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert Hillard  
City Manager

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