

Economic Development, Business & Redevelopment Commission  
Meeting Minutes September 16, 2024  
Held in Council Chambers at Borough Hall

Meeting was called to order at 7:05

Attendance:

Present:	Deana Gunn	Joseph Rizzuto
	Jeff Kagan	Cathy Zavorskas
	Joel Pascua	Jay LoBosco
	Linda Martin	

Absent: Brian Livesey, Steven Russell, John Christopher, Dean Fazio,

Minutes of the June 17th meeting were presented – Jeff made motion to approve, Jay seconded, all approved

**Events:**

- **Car Show** – super hot weather, but successful; stage was moved to Ravine Drive; Hot Rod Mike was easy to work with
- **Lakeside Dining** –  
Saturday, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup> – DiBari's had to shut down orders, overwhelmed; stage moved to new location. Thank you to Matawan Aberdeen Public Library for band, Charlie Roman. Great evening.  
Thursday, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup> – Aby's with Sandy Saso, may be rained out  
Thursday, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup> – The Geekery trivia with band Acoustic Moonlight; the Burger Shop
- **Ribbon Cuttings** – Aby's Friday, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> 4:30 pm  
Bellazio Collective, Saturday, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm
- **Matawan Day** – Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> – work in progress; volunteers needed  
To be set up in the fields and park – Bands/stage to be in Terhune Park, entertainment in Hourihan field, vendors in parking lot, grassy areas and on Broad St. up to the driveway of The Edge. To meet with Chief about parking & logistics. Cathy to see if First Presbyterian is available for vendors. Attendees to park at train station and shuttled to event. After party at Maloney's.

**Chamber of Commerce** – miniature golf outing at Old Bridge golf course on Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>; outdoor luncheon at Panini Bistro on Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>.

## **Update on Local Businesses**

- Peter Conte – ½ to be hair salon, was redone - took out sinks
- Cozy Corner – venting issue; \$700,000 – high rent & high cost to set up & maintain
- Atlantic Glass – not willing to sell or rent
- BoA – bought to develop
- Ryer's House – work going on; wants modification, kept ceilings, mantels, etc., exterior renovation (historic site)

Suggestion for empty storefronts – fine for being empty for more than a year – not able to do that due to State regulations.

**Brochures** – should be ready by next meeting

**Next Meeting** – October 21<sup>st</sup> – to set dates for Shark Run and Car Show.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Martin  
Recording Secretary  
Economic Development Business & Redevelopment Commission of Matawan