**Mt. Pulaski Economic Development and Planning Board**

*The mission of the Mt. Pulaski Economic Development and Planning Board is to improve the quality of life and create a shared prosperity in our community by retaining, sustaining, and enhancing existing businesses and community organizations, attracting and developing new businesses, and improving and upgrading infrastructure.*

**Date: December 18th, 2020**

**Meeting Location: 124 South Washington Street, Mt. Pulaski, IL 62548**

**Meeting type: Special meeting**

**Meeting Minutes**

**1) Call to order**

Deron Powell called to order the special meeting of the Mt. Pulaski Economic Development and Planning Board at 4:03pm on December 18th, 2020 at the Economic Development Planning Board Office.

**2) Roll call**

Lorah Hoe conducted roll call. The following persons were present: Deron Powell, Tom Martin, Andrew Meister, Jim Birge, Matt Bobell (City Council Representative) and Lorah Hoe (Administrative Aide) were present.

Guests: None

Absent: Erin Wyss, Tyler White, and Hillary Cherry

**3) Introduction of guests**

None

**4) Emergency COVID-19 Relief Grant Discussion-Action Item**

The EDPB discussed creating a third round of COVID-19 Relief for businesses within the Mt. Pulaski Township. The time period would cover July 1st to November 30th and would cover working capital expenses and estimated loss of income. The applications would be due December 31st and would be reviewed by the EDPB by January 9th.

The City grant program is only for bars and restaurants up to $10,000.00 to be paid from the City General Fund. They have not heard back from the state on if they have been approved to be reimbursed.

Jim Birge made a motion to allocated $50,000.00 from the Community Donation Fund for the third round of COVID-19 Relief Grants. Seconded by Andrew Meister. Roll Call vote: Jim Birge-Yea, Tom Martin-Yea, Andrew Meister-Yea, Deron Powell-Yea, Tyler White-Absent, Hillary Cherry-Absent, and Erin Wyss- Absent. Motion Passes.

The EDPB will help Lorah to update the grant application for the 3rd rounds purposes. The EDPB will review the grant application over the weekend and Lorah will send it out on Monday the 21st.

**5) Miscellaneous Business**

None

**6) Adjournment**

**Tom Martin made a motion to adjourn at 4:18pm. Seconded by Jim Birge, all in favor and motion passes.**

**7) Next Meeting January 9, 2021 EDPB Regular Meeting**