

Sodus Economic Roundtable Meeting #2 –4 October 2011, Sodus Community Library

Call to Order:

Manfred Lichti called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM. Introductions followed.

Present:

Manfred Lichti	Owner, Lichti International, Inc.
Don Lessord	Owner, Lessord Chrysler Products, Inc.
The Honorable Brenda Rowe	Village Trustee, Sodus
The Honorable Chris Tertinek	Village Trustee, Sodus Point
Paul Lowans	Owner, Lowans IT Service; Wayne County Business Council
Mark Vande	Resident, Sodus Point
The Honorable Dennis Taber	Village Trustee, Sodus
Kurt Bethmann	Resident, Sodus
Mary Jane Mumby	Chair, Sodus Chamber of Commerce; Planning Board, Town of Sodus
David Englert	Planning Board, Village of Sodus

The meeting opened with a call for nominees for the office of president. Manfred Lichti was nominated and seconded. There being no further nominations, a vote was called. All aye, motion carried.

It was suggested that the positions of Secretary and Treasurer be combined. Nine ayes, one nay. Motion carried.

David Englert was nominated and seconded. Nine ayes, one nay. Motion carried.

David Englert respectfully declined the combined position.

Paul Lowans was nominated and seconded for Treasurer. All aye, motion carried.

Mark Vande was nominated and seconded for Vice President. All ayes, motion carried.

Acceptance of Minutes

The minutes from the 15 September 2011 meeting were presented and accepted. All aye, motion carried.

A brief discussion about a name for this group was held. "Sodus Economic Team (SET)" was proposed and accepted. All ayes, motion carried.

Purpose and First Actions

It was decided that – once SET has some information to present – we will meet with area Boards, Councils, Groups, and Service Organizations to introduce ourselves and to seek resolutions of support.

Mission Statement

After a robust discussion, the following was accepted as SET's Mission Statement:

"The Sodus Economic Team (SET)'s mission is to help create opportunities for economic development through business growth, expansion, retention, and attraction of commercial businesses."

Committees

Discussion followed regarding the creation of various committees to carry out SET's work.

The following committees were created:

Web Site Committee (Manfred, Paul, David) With the purpose of creating a web site for SET.

Tangible Assets Committee (Mark, Dennis) With the purpose of collecting information and cataloguing what Sodus has to offer, including (but not limited to) businesses currently operating within the borders of the Town of Sodus.

Promotional Committee (Mary Jane, David) With the purpose of gathering information from other SET members and compiling materials to present to internal and external audiences.

Next Meeting

The next meeting date was set for Tuesday, 1 November 2011, at 10:00 AM at the Sodus Community Library.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

David J. Englert