

# Clarence IDA Meeting

May 31, 2007, at 8:00 am

In attendance: Steve Bengart  
Paul Leone  
Clayt Ertel  
Mike Buettner  
Mary Powell  
Nathan Neill  
Kathleen Hallock  
Dave Hartzell

1. Funding for June Seminar: Motion by Hartzel/Second by Powell to have CIDA cover all costs of the planned seminar. Passed unanimously.
2. Greatbatch Project: Motion by Hallock/second by Hartzel to Authorize CIDA Chairman to sign Agreement and Waiver regarding real property at 4096-4100 Barton Rd. Passed with 4 Ayes and M.Powell recused.

The new \$9.8MM project for Greatbatch will be on the agenda for the June meeting.

3. EDO Discussion: Joe Weiss attended briefly to express frustration with the delays in hiring the EDO. Steve Bengart clarified the question of whether or not the EDO would be an actual employee or an independent contractor. He stated that it had been decided that the EDO must be an employee of the Clarence Chamber of Commerce.

Mary Powell stated that this will eliminate some candidates because they wanted to remain as independent contractors. Interviews will be held during the next few weeks.

4. Secretary: Motion by D Hartzel/second by M Buettner to hire a secretary to attend our meetings, take notes, and produce monthly minutes. Passed unanimously.
5. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss ideas and formulate a plan for the use of the CIDA funds. The main premise is that the funds are to be used for the good of the town of Clarence and it's taxpayers. Ideas presented include:
  - K Hallock suggested that we should pursue the possibility of getting a matching grant from HUD for up to \$250,000.
  - M Powell suggested that the funds should go for building infrastructure such as roads.

D Hartzell suggested additional advertisements and seminars promoting the benefits available to companies doing business in Clarence.

Since most of our time had been spent on earlier topics, we will carry this topic forward to future meetings. However, there was agreement that it is very important to formulate a plan for the use of these funds.

Next Meeting 8AM June 21.