

**Muskegon County  
Community Development/Strategic Planning  
March 17, 2011  
3:30 p.m.  
Hall of Justice, 990 Terrace  
Muskegon, MI**

**Robert Scolnik, Chair**

**Ben Cross, Vice-Chair**

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MINUTES

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**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Scolnik at 3:45 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Alan Jager, Anthony Longmire, Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer, Robert Scolnik, I. John Snider, Rillastine Wilkins

Excused: Marvin Engle

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Collins, supported by Cross, to approve the minutes of February 10, 2011, meeting as written. Motion Carried.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**Muskegon Lumberjacks - Josh Mervis, Owner & CEO**

Mr. Josh Mervis, Muskegon Lumberjacks Owner & CEO, presented information to the Board regarding the Muskegon Lumberjacks and specifically upgrades/improvements to the arena since his arrival. He discussed the use of local contractors whenever possible in the renovation projects.

Mr. Mervis also invited and encouraged the Board to tour the state of the art weight room, locker room and overall facility.

Commissioner Longmire applauded Mr. Mervis for his success and his vision for the facility as a whole and in working to bring other venues to the area.

### **Cruising the Lakeshore - Muskegon - John VanWyck**

Mr. John VanWyck presented information regarding the Muskegon Power Tour and Cruising the Lakeshore - Muskegon, on Thursday, June 9, 2011. He noted currently there are over 3,000 vehicles registered for the tour.

Mr. VanWyck invited the Board to attend a press release on Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m at the Convention and Visitors Bureau with Hot Rod Magazine Publisher Jerry Pitt. Mr. Pitt will be presenting at Muskegon Community College to the automotive tech class students at 1:00 p.m.

Commissioner Derezinski thanked Mr. VanWyck for his enthusiasm and assistance in helping to bring this event to Muskegon County.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT (On an agenda item)**

Mr. Eric Rothoff addressed the Board regarding motion CD/SP11/03 - 04; Authorize staff to apply for funds from the Clean Energy Coalition. He noted technology changes quickly and shared his thoughts that most people would charge their vehicles at their homes. He thought this project was premature.

### **ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION**

CD/SP11/03 - 04     It was moved by Plummer, supported by Longmire, to authorize staff to apply for funds from the Clean Energy Coalition to pay for the infrastructure to install the electric charging stations at the Hall of Justice and South Campus in the amount of \$15,546 and to utilize the HOJ building fund in the amount of \$5,950 and \$1,778 from the John Halmond Building fund as the match.

Motion Carried.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Commissioner Mahoney asked Commissioners to check their calendar for availability for a tour of the Muskegon Correctional Facility on Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.

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**PUBLIC COMMENT (On a new topic)**

Mr. John Puisis addressed the Board and noted he was a student from Muskegon Community College.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Community Development/Strategic Planning Committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.