

**Muskegon County  
Community Development/Strategic Planning  
May 19, 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 3:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Lewis Collins, Benjamin Cross, James Derezinski, Marvin Engle, Alan Jager, Anthony Longmire, Kenneth Mahoney, Scott Plummer, Robert Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins

Excused: I. John Snider

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

It was moved by Plummer, supported by Engle, to approve the minutes of April 21, 2011, meeting as written. Motion Carried.

**PRESENTATION**

**Hobie Thrasher - Handsome Henry's**

Mr. Hobie Thrasher, owner of Handsome Henry's, addressed the Board and discussed challenges and successes he's faced in his years in the hospitality/restaurant business in Muskegon.

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

Ms. Suzie Hughes addressed the Board regarding motion number CD/SP11/05 - 11. She felt action to approve would be discriminatory as other organizations and municipalities weren't aware of possible funding being available.

Mr. Jim Riley approached the Board and shared the opinion of Ms. Hughes regarding motion CD/SP11/05 - 11. He also urged the Board to follow the recommendation of the Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee.



## **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Ms. Laura Fitzpatrick, City of Roosevelt Park City Council Member, addressed the Board regarding the Roosevelt Park Inspections Department. She discussed the importance of municipal inspectors.

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

Ms. Janessa Smit, Muskegon Area Chamber of Commerce, addressed the Board and invited the Board members to attend the Business for Breakfast being held on Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at the Holiday Inn Muskegon Harbor.

Mr. Jim Riley asked Commissioners to think outside the box and to consider convening a group of individuals to further review and assist individuals with concerns in the new business process.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Community Development/Strategic Planning Committee, the meeting adjourned at 4:54 p.m.