MINUTES OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
JANUARY 29, 2015
7:00 PM
VILLAGE OF CLAYCOMO, MISSOURI

Present: Marj Finley; Amada High; Roxie McClure; Bud Woodside; Clerk King

Absent: Richelle Scarborough

Other Attendees: Trustee Powell

The Committee brought samples of signage designs to be used at the two Village city limit entrances along with the I-435 exits ramps. Several good ideas were shared but the decision was made to return with more specific design samples for the next meeting.

The discussion turned to what business locations (both existing and potential development) could be identified to be the initial focus for introducing the “Neo-traditional” theme. Each member agreed to take a portion of the Village and study the land parcels to determine and recommend potential areas. Discussion was held regarding the vacant property located across from the Plaza which currently remains under the Edwards trust holding and the Plaza Shopping Center. Questions were asked on ways the EDC could begin to develop conversations with both entities to share the vision for development to that area of the Village.

A question was raised that had been discussed at the recent Resident’s forum regarding hosting some type of Spring event in the Village. A Garden Show had been the top idea which the Committee agreed could be put together. Ideas included having a key-note speaker on gardening/planting along with tables which featured residents and local nursery’s detailing their craft. With spring beginning on March 20, the tentative plan was to host the event on March 21. Amanda High and Marj Finley agreed to find individuals, along with a lead person, to be part of the team to assist with coordinating the event.

The Committee agreed to discuss at the next meeting four items: 1) specific design features of what “Neo-traditional” looks like (i.e. Glass, stone, combination, etc.); 2) local businesses who might be identified as the pioneers in becoming the first for renovations; 3) specific “welcome” sign designs for the four locations identified within the Village; 4) a “coordinator” for the Garden Show in March.

Next regular meeting will be on February 12th at 7:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 pm