

City of DeBary
Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting
THURSDAY
September 21, 2006
7:00 PM

Florence K. Little Town Hall
12 Colomba Road DeBary, Florida 32713

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Chairman Don Kitner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Leonard Marks, Tim McLaughlin, Chairman Don Kitner, Mitch Geier, Gretchen Ganas, Vice Chair Joe Alemany and Carol Lawrence (late)

Also Present: City Planner Anita Gonzalez, Mayor Coleman, and Vice Mayor Fulton

3. Old Business

None.

4. New Business

- Request for financial support from the City of DeBary by Repair Resource Inc., a cellular phone repair company.

Rob Livingston, representative of Repair Resource Inc., gave the Committee some background information on his company and their desire to relocate to the Springview Industrial Park.

Committee members discussed tax revenue and average pay per employee. Mr. Livingston stated he was unsure of the tax base his company might bring to DeBary, and he was not certain of the grant amount he would be seeking from the City. He estimated that the average pay for their blue-collar workers is \$10 per hour.

Mr. Livingston said that they expected their volume to increase from repairing 1,200 units per day to 10,000 units per day; that they expect to make a capital investment of \$3.5 million; and that his company is expecting \$1500 per eligible position in grant funding from the City.

Ms. Gonzalez stated that if all 78 positions met the requirements of the City's ordinance, then Mr. Livingston would be asking for \$117,000 from the opportunity fund. Mr. Livingston replied that he was uncertain how many positions would qualify for the incentive.

Ms. Gonzalez stated that she would get him the copy of the ordinance with the minimum salary requirements the following day. The Committee members discussed that once Mr. Livingston determines the exact amount of funds, they will consider the application.

The Committee members decided to hold a special meeting on September 26th at 7 pm to discuss the application further.

5. Other Business by Board, Staff or the Public

Mr. Marks said he received a call from a person at 313 Dirksen Drive stating that they have rental space available if anyone is interested.

6. Adjournment

Chairman Don Kitner announced the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

**APPROVED October 19, 2006
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Chairman Don Kitner