

**Upper Mt. Bethel Economic Development  
Committee Monthly Meeting  
Minutes  
January 24, 2024**

Attendees: Scott Cole  
Anthony DeFranco  
Bill Hall  
Ray Higgins  
Geoff Deen  
Augie Percoco  
Jonathan Erhler- Board of Supervisors  
Becky Higgins  
Joe Torre- Candidate  
Ellen Allenowsky- Graphic Designer

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm. After the Pledge of Allegiance, a motion to approve the Meeting Agenda was made and seconded.

The first order of business was a presentation by Ellen Allenowsky, Graphic Designer who made a presentation of the draft UMBT Business brochure. The descriptions of each business needs to be reviewed by the business owners. She also asked if there were any more photos available for use in the brochure.

The committee met with Joe Torre who was a candidate for the open position on the UMBT Economic Development Committee. Mr. Torre shared his background and discussed his interest in joining the committee.

Jonathan Erhler who is the newly appointed member of the UMBT Board of Supervisors attended this meeting as an observer.

The first order of business was the 2023 re-organization of the EDC and to elect new officers. Scott Cole turned the Chair to Ray Higgins and a nomination was made to appoint Scott Cole as Chairman for another year. The motion was seconded and approved by all members. A motion was made to appoint Anthony DeFranco as Vice Chairman. The motion was seconded and approved by all members. A motion was made to appoint Augie Percoco as Secretary. The motion was seconded and approved by all members.

It was agreed that development of a Upper Mt. Bethel Township Business Directory would be of value not only to residents but also to help companies seeking to move to the area to know what local resources are available and to promote using these resources if possible.

Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.