**Bloomingdale Economic Development Commission (EDC) Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Date:** 10/26/2017

**Time:** 7:00pm

**Location:** Council Chambers

**Present:**

* John Graziano
* Jenn Ellis
* Suzanne Osborne
* Mike Rudge
* S. Nadia Hussain

**Absent with Notice:**

* Elisa Kolenut
* Travis Sullivan
* Matt Zaccone

**Meeting Discussion:**

* Approved the September 2017 meeting minutes.
* Jenn Ellis proposed the concept of a Bloomingdale scavenger hunt. We need incentives which should be for free offers from business around the Borough. For example, the Next Level Barbershop offered a free haircut. We can reach out to others to and perhaps do a raffle each month.
  + Proposal to ask people to post photos in order to enter a lottery for winning the prize.
  + EDC write out the rules for transparency for participants.
* EDC will post liquor store video to Facebook page to promote the name change and explain what the store has to offer residents.
* Discussed asking on our Facebook page for people to provide restaurant reviews to continue and increase engagement on the page.
* Will work with the Mayor to discuss new ideas for Pride Day 2018.
* Discussed pedestrian safety concerns. John Graziano mentioned several agencies which provide funding to towns for pedestrian safety.
  + Discussed local businesses perhaps sponsoring cross walk signs. Discussed reaching out to the agencies for funding as well as Passaic County.
* Discussed purchasing more Facebook stickers to be sent out to residents.
* Discussed taking out an advertisement in the 100 Year Anniversary book. John Graziano to reach out with JPEG.
* The EDC was informed that Matt Zaccone will resign from the commission.

**Action Items for Next Meeting:**

* John Graziano to draft e-mail to John Bartlett regarding funding for pedestrian safety.
* Jenn Ellis to talk to Chair of Butler EDC in order to open communications.
* Jenn Ellis to post recruitment for new members on the Facebook page.
* Mike Rudge and Jenn Ellis to bring Facebook stickers to vendor to have them cut for distribution. They are authorized to purchase more.