**Greater Freeport Partnership Downtown Meeting  
Meeting Notes – May 11, 2022, Top Notch Tonsor – 7:30 am**

Meeting Goal: Personal conversations to help downtown business and building owners stay informed about upcoming projects and promotions to support the growth and revitalization of Downtown Freeport.

Attendance: Cal Wescott, Kim Rampenthal, Drew Broge, Devin Mielke, Mark Mannino, Kevyn Sutter, Rob Boyer, Wayne Duckman, Katie Gentz, Andrea Schultz Winter, Jon Palmer, Kelly Chesney

Zoom: Devin Meilke

1. Introductions
2. Updates from City of Freeport, Kevyn Sutter/Wayne Duckman/Rob Boyer
   1. Vacation/Property Rental Registration- The application is ready from the City.
   2. Updates on Chicago Avenue- Project has been awarded and the city is working on with Fehr Graham on the timeline.
3. Design & Placemaking Committee Updates-
   1. Items discussed at yesterday’s meeting - Historic Tour is coming together, they plan to have 6 business on the Clio website this year.
   2. Recap of countywide clean-up April 10-17- We had over 100 volunteers help clean up during that week. Out next one is July 10-17.
   3. Main Street Accreditation update-Andrea Schultz Winter turned in the application, we should know mid-June if we have accepted.
4. Marketing Updates
   1. All Together Campaign-The Partnership is working on a campaign with the city of Freeport for the Chicago Ave., construction.
5. Promotions Committee Notes
   1. Meeting tomorrow, May 12 at 8 am at Partnership
6. Events
   1. 2022 Event schedule
   2. Festival District dates 2022
   3. Recap Pretzel Fest
   4. Winefest May 21
   5. MOC June 3
   6. First Fridays
7. New Downtown Businesses:
   1. Ribbon Cuttings
      1. Rootz & Branchez May 18th at noon
   2. Other New Businesses
      1. Ambassador Biz Boosters May 13, 1-3 pm
8. Business Education
   1. New Member Orientation – July TBD
9. Share Best Practices
10. Adjourn – by 8:30 am

Handouts:

* Winefest posters
* 2022 Events
* May Newsletter

Next Meeting: July 13, 2022, Location Hilldale Deli