**Mount Sinai Civic Association**

Monthly Meeting Minutes

February 7, 2022 at 8:00pm

Board Members Present: Ann Becker, Steve Koepper

**Minutes**: Read minutes from the December 6, 2021 meeting by Ann Becker

**Treasurers Report**:

Total Balance: $6387.69

Checking: $2350.01

Operating expenses/Beautification: $4037.68

**Membership Report**: 149 Members

**Correspondence Report**: Has been quiet, nothing to report

**Old Business**:

Mount Sinai Meadows discussion

A proposal from MS Meadows was presented and discussed. Essentially MS Meadows would not request IDA funds if we agree to reduce the number of affordable units from 20% to 10%. We weren't sure where the 20% came from in the first place, but we got our answer last night. As per Fred Braun, in order to qualify for IDA funds, a project MUST include 20% affordable. It seems likely that the developers fully intended to go for the IDA tax relief, even though they stated publicly to the Town Board that they would not.

Based on the information we had, the discussion basically supported allowing the change since with 10% affordable, MS Meadows would no longer be eligible for the IDA funds, of course, pending a written guarantee and legal advice. The general consensus of the membership was that we weren't losing anything and we won the IDA battle.

**New Business**:

A member asked if there was an update on the construction of a cell tower at the Rose Carracappa Center. No information available but Lori Murphy will check with the Town for its status.

We will invite the COPE officer to attend our next meeting for updates.

Next Civic meeting is March 7, 20202

Motion to adjourn at 8:47 by: Steve Koepper