

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT – April 2024

KINDERHOOK BUSINESS UPDATE

Vacant Commercial/Mixed Use: [3]

1 Chatham Street, 6 Broad Street, 59 Broad Street

Partially Occupied Commercial/Mixed Use: [1]

5 Hudson Street

New Business Openings

Fall 2024

Hamrah's

3 Albany Avenue

Summer 2024

Isola Wine Bar

16 Hudson Street

Now Open

Mercantile at Vanderpoel House

16 Broad Street

PROMOTION

- Ongoing social-media re-posts for local businesses
- Distributed rack cards and brochures at village locations.
- Designed and/or forwarded event graphics for weekly village email blasts.
- Graphic design of 2024 business rack card completed. Printing: June 2024
- Contacted ice-cream vendor for Ghent Band concerts.

BUSINESS AND KBPA LIAISON

- Continued to provide updates on available commercial properties.
- Liaisoned with KBPA on planning and promotion for KBPA events.
- Meeting held on CCHS and Kinderhook businesses wedding venue.
- Assisted KBPA with vendor recruitment and poster design for Kinderhook Makers Market.
- Provided Isola Wine Bar with Signage Tips for submitting to HPC.
- Monitored Hudson Valley Magazine for inclusion of Kinderhook businesses in features and contacted editors where applicable.
- Referred realtor seeking information about 1 Hudson Street to Tracey Pratt of Community Bank.

GRANTS SUMMARY

- Continued to develop/revise OK Apple Trail project with Super Stories. Still awaiting announcement of HRVG Heritage Sponsorship Grants availability.

GRANT RESEARCH/SUPPORT/APPLICATION

- Continued review of grant availability and grant eligibility.
- Distributed available arts grant opportunities to Kinderhook residents.
- Reviewed Trustee Murphy Fire Department grant application and provided outline of grant administrating tasks.
- Continued ongoing filing tasks for grants.

CURRENT (ONGOING):

Kinderhook Creek Kayak Launch Project

- Installation of creek-access improvements in Kinderhook in progress.
- Arranged for volunteer (Tom Mueller) to complete minor shrub clearing next to kayak/canoe access area.

Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan (LWRP)

(Village of Kinderhook and Village of Valatie Collaborative Project

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NY Forward

- Awaiting announcements of awards.

ECONOMIC-DEVELOPMENT RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE

Albany-Hudson Electric Trail, Village Bike Rack

- Awaiting action on bike rack proposal in Village Square at Kinderhook. Met with D. Waterston to discuss hardscaping.

Village Website

- Submitted draft landing-page summaries and preliminary drafts of FAQs for Planning Board, Zoning Board, Building Department, Persons of Color Cemetery, Rothermel Park, Summer Park Program, Dunham Park, Village Hall and Van Buren Hall, Mills Park, and Hudson Street Landing at Creekside Park.
- Arranged with village historian Kate Johnson for click-throughs on history of village sites.
- Arranged for possible use of historic photo of Persons of Color Cemetery/Rothermels on website.

Village Plantings

- Prepared and submitted order to Samascott's Garden Market for 2024 Village Square plantings.
- Researched and shared estimates for planters for trough area.

Signage

- Contacted IMK Designs to discuss Dunham Park signage and request quote.
- Worked on disclaimer signage for kayak/canoe access at Kinderhook Creek.

Miscellaneous

- Shared garbage receptacle information with DPW.