

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT – July 2023

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

PROMOTION

- On-going social-media re-posts for local businesses
- 2023 rack card distribution by Berkshire Brochure from July 1 to July 31: Columbia County, Berkshire County, Capital Region, Saratoga
- Prepared and sent official invitation to Art Omi visiting international resident artists to visit Kinderhook.
- Reconnected with organizers of Cycle the Hudson Valley and provided new rack card digital file for distribution.

BUSINESS LIAISON

- Continued to provide updates on available commercial properties.

CURRENT GRANTS SUMMARY

COMPLETED:

Village of Kinderhook, NY – A Walking Tour of the Square and Beyond – Audio Tour

Village of Kinderhook Kinderhook Creek Resource Inventory

- Prepared final report and claim for final payment document for unreimbursed funds. Awaiting submission.

CURRENT (ONGOING):

Kinderhook Creek Kayak Launch Project

- Submitted request for rescope and return to original budget.
- Rescope and re-budgeting approved.
- Installation of creek access improvements in Kinderhook and Valatie scheduled for completion in spring 2024.

Local Waterfront Revitalization Plan (LWRP)

(Village of Kinderhook and Village of Valatie Collaborative Project

- Reviewed Community Survey draft.

NY Forward Grant Application

- Prepared and submitted four village project applications: Bandstand, Van Buren Hall, Broad Street Lighting and Historic Light Restoration Project, Marketing Program

GRANT RESEARCH/SUPPORT/APPLICATION

- **Quick Start Grant New York State Urban Forestry Council - Awarded**
- Coordinated and promoted Arbor Day Celebration
- Submitted reimbursement request for NY State Urban Forestry Council grant.

ECONOMIC-DEVELOPMENT RELATED INFRASTRUCTURE

Albany-Hudson Electric Trail, Village Bike Rack

- Awaiting response to bike rack proposal in Village Square at The Kinderhook Knitting Mill.
- Designed and ordered signage directing trail users to bike pump at Rothermel Park Trailhead.

Long-term Parking and Traffic Issues

- Liaisoned with owners of 25 Chatham Street property.

Village Website

- Assisted with preparation of information for website redesign: site navigation and design.
- Coordinated comments on first-round home page web design.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Distributed private-foundation grant opportunities to Kinderhook businesses
- Assisted with document preparation related to resolution for naming of Dunham Park
- Assisted with planning for dedication ceremony for naming of Dunham Park.
- Began planning for proposal for village map at Municipal Parking lot.
- Prepared economic development page for village bulletin.