## TOWN OF KIRKWOOD SPECIAL TOWN BOARD MEETING

## **December 13, 2016**

A special meeting of the Kirkwood Town Board was held on December 13, 2016 at 4:04 PM at the Joseph A. Griffin Town Hall with Supervisor Gordon Kniffen presiding.

Present: Supervisor Gordon Kniffen

Councilman Robert Weingartner Councilman Lewis Grubham Councilman William Diffendorf, Jr. Councilwoman Linda Yonchuk

Also Present: Oliver Blaise III, Attorney

Todd Grubham, Guest

A discussion was held regarding a developer purchasing the L3 building in Kirkwood through the "Agency".

Todd Grubham presented the Board with his plan along with a silent partner to purchase the L3 building. Their plan is hopefully to maintain the current lessees of L3 an A.L. George who occupy 49% of the entire building. The remaining 51% will be leased as office and administration space. Todd and his partner want to take ownership as soon as possible and they have the commitment of the Agency to sell to them. Currently there is a PILOT Agreement in place and Todd and his partner would like to continue on with the same PILOT when they purchase the building. Most PILOTS are designed to add new jobs to the area wherein they exist. However in this development, while there will be job creation, the major emphasis will be on filling the building, enhancing the environment, and being a positive impact to the rest of our community. This is also an opportunity for Kirkwood to be a partner in seeing a major developer come to Kirkwood and experience growth and success.

Councilman Grubham was present but abstained from any involvement in the discussion except to offer one bit of information pertaining to the assessment of the building. He offered no input other than that.

The Board voiced a positive opinion for this project. There was discussion relative to the existing PILOT as it appeared to be slanted toward Kirkwood and the County as the major contributors to tax relief while it appeared to relieve the Windsor School district, without any loss of tax revenue. It was decided that Supervisor Kniffen would investigate this with the Agency and report back to the Board, the developer and the Town's attorney.

The next discussion will be at the Town Board meeting scheduled for December 27, 2016.

Councilwoman Yonchuk moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Diffendorf seconded. All voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 PM.