

**Pierce Township Economic Development Committee
December 23, 2015**

The organizational meeting of the Pierce Township Economic Development Committee was held on December 23, 2015. Present were Doug Thomson, Bill Otto, Rob Gabbard, Tim Hershner, Allen Freeman and Bob Pauke.

Following introductions the Objectives of the Economic Development Committee were reviewed as well as the Pierce 21 Objective, Goals, Strategies and Measures.

It was suggested that at the next meeting the Pierce Township zoning map be studied so that the Committee can identify those areas of the Township which are ripe for development. The Committee also asked for a review of the Township's budget so that the Committee can develop an understanding of the sources of funding and identify opportunities for replacement funding due to closure of the Beckjord Plant.

At a future meeting the Committee would like to know how a developer evaluates a site and Township. It was suggested to ask Select Strategies which developed the new Krogers be invited to speak at a future meeting.

The Committee will schedule meetings for the third Wednesday of each month. The next meeting will be held on January 20, 2016

Respectfully Submitted,

Douglas W. Thomson
Chairman