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Lake County Business Roundtable Conducts Second Meeting

The Lake County Treasurer's Office, along with the Board of Lake County Commissioners, welcomed a new group of local businesses, chamber representatives, and government officials to the second meeting of the "Lake County Business Roundtable Discussion Series" on Wednesday April 6th. The roundtable discussions serve as an open forum for local businesses to share their experiences over the previous two years and provide their opinions on improving the local business environment.

In addition to the County Commissioners, representatives from various other County agencies including the Lake Development Authority, Planning and Community Development, and Council on Aging were in attendance to answer questions and address concerns presented by the business community. Topics included, but were not limited to, workforce, resource collaboration, real estate trends, and overall economic conditions.

10 local businesses, ranging from daycare to manufacturing to real estate, spoke on current concerns and issues they are experiencing given the current economy and pandemic aftereffects and they vocalized what their needs are.

"Today's meeting was another opportunity to meet even more businesses and I continue to be impressed with the turnout we have received," said Commission President John R. Hamercheck. "These individuals offered some invaluable input that will greatly impact the future success for other Lake County businesses."

Bill Snow (from Rad Air Complete Car Care in Wickliffe) commented, "The Lake County Business Roundtable is a great avenue for business owners to share the issues they have been facing over the past 18 months and create partnerships that strengthen the business environment."

"Once again, I commend Treasurer Zuren for organizing this extremely important series. Giving these companies the opportunity to share their stories will undoubtedly affect, not only their own future prosperity, but the prosperity of the entire county," added Commissioner John Plecnik.

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"The Lake County Business Roundtable creates a forum for local businesses to share and discuss issues facing the business environment," said County Treasurer Mike Zuren. He continued, "Teamwork and creating a culture in Lake County where we all succeed is the long-term solution to success for residents, families, and businesses."

Sandra Webber (owner of Little Learners, Too Daycare in Eastlake) remarked, "I am so grateful that the County Treasurer and Commissioners have created a forum for business owners to discuss their concerns and ideas to solve local issues with the Lake County Business Roundtable series."

"A strong economy demands a skilled, diverse, and competitive workforce and there's no question we have that here in Lake County," noted Commissioner Ron Young. "Through these types of forums, action based upon the knowledge and experiences of Lake County based business leaders can be helpful to economic growth."

The third meeting of the "Lake County Business Roundtable Discussion" series will be held in May with additional details forthcoming.

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