

A Better Mt. Pleasant: Conned again: Intel chooses Ohio over Mount Pleasant for \$20 billion microchip factory

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MOUNT PLEASANT, WI JANUARY 24 2022 – Numerous factors are considered when a well-managed corporation like Intel makes a decision about locating a \$20 billion investment. They are meticulous in their due diligence. Imagine if there was an [entire book](#) recently published by a top academic publisher about one of their prospective sites. Is there a chance they'd miss it?

And what would they find as they read through “Foxconned: Imaginary Jobs, Bulldozed Homes, and the Sacking of Local Government” by Lawrence Tabak?

That Mount Pleasant leadership had been something of a laughingstock in the [national podcast](#), ReplyAll, showing enormous [personal and cultural insensitivity](#). That this same leadership had [misled and used deception](#) to acquire land from their own taxpaying constituents. That the people who controlled the land they'd be using had created a [large and bitter divide](#) in their community by their mismanagement of the Foxconn deal, and their [imprudent spending](#) of \$382 million dollars in support of it.

And that's not counting the Village Project Director, the guy they'd be dealing with on a daily basis, who [now says](#) he's not the Foxconn Project Director, but more like TID 5 Director. TID 5, the plot of land where Intel's new plant would have been situated for decades to come. This same director who has demonstrated [questionable management practices](#) in his billing of Mount Pleasant for \$1.23 million, and a preference for crony vendors and consultants, and whose main

resume builder was a [fraudulent and failed golf course development](#).

After the [public humiliation of losing out](#) to Lordstown in September to build electric vehicles, do you honestly believe the current Mount Pleasant leadership team could attract any larger venture, one that wouldn't perform a minimum amount of research into a community to place a multi-billion dollar investment? Can you imagine trying to recruit a highly-paid, specialized workforce to relocate to a community with such a long public record of dissension and malfeasance?

For Intel it was an easy call. "Ohio, here we come!"