

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

May 6, 2011

The regular meeting of the Green Lake County Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors was called to order by Phil Baranowski, at 8:30 AM on Friday, May 6, 2011, Green lake County Government Center, Conference Room #1106, 571 County Board A, Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting laws were certified as being met.

Present: Phil Baranowski Marge Bostelmann Mary Lou Neubauer
Roger Field Terry Williamson Art Egbert

Absent: Ken Werth and Scott Sommers

Also present: Jason Kauffeld, UWEX, Dan Priske, Phil Burkhart, Fran Hill

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion/second(Egbert/Williamson) to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second(Egbert Williamson) to accept the minutes of January 14, 2011. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

APPEARANCES

Phil Berkhart and Fran Hill presented information and the proposal to develop the downtown County property and facility into a Center for Art & Innovation. The same presentation was given to the county Property and Insurance Committee on Tuesday of this week.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President: Baranowski nominated Roger field for President.

Motion/Second(Baranowski/Egbert) to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Roger Field for President. Motion carried

Vice President: Egbert nominated Phil Baranowski for Vice President:

Motion/Second(/Egbert/Williamson) to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Phil Baranowski for Vice-President. Motion carried

REPORT ON TRI-COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Field reported that the loan committee for TREDC has been meeting quite frequently these last few months to consider applications. He also explained that TREDC is getting more area bank involved. He is happy to see the growth in the area. Wheeler sent the Board the status of the TREDC revolving loan fund. Egbert emailed Wheeler for clarification on the report.

HOUSING GRANT REPORT No Update

TREASURER'S REPRT

Account Balances as of April 30, 2011

EDC account: \$13,834.42

Housing RLF: \$34,754.92

Housing EAP working account: \$4,663.66

Motion/second(Field/Egbert) to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

UWEX AGENT REPORT

Kauffeld Presented information on the Tri-County Tourism Alliance that will meet on May 11, 2011 from 9 to 11 am in Wautoma and the Manufacturing Advantage Conference on May 23-24 in Menomonie. He also gave the members two articles from The Economist Kauffeld also informed the members that the Tri-county Leadership Initiative will have its first Alumni event on June 22 from 4:30 to 6:30 pm at the Goose Blind.

VOUCHERS

Bostelmann presented the quarterly payment to Waushara County for the County support of TREDC for \$10,000.

Motion/Second(Williamson/Egbert) to approve the payment for TREDC support.

SELECT BUSINESSES TO VISIT NEXT MONTH – No discussion

STATE BUDGET UPDATE/DISCUSSION

Discussion was held on the effect the budget will have and the Governor's job proposals.

STRATEGIC PLANNING (1 hour)

Kauffeld led the discussion on how the plan should be structured. Discussion was held on rearranging the information putting the Mission statement on the 1st page reducing the length of the plan. It was also noted that the creation of TREDC will impact the GLC EDC strategic plan. Discussion was also held on how to help the County Board understand and support the EDC. Field is willing to make a presentation to the County Finance Committee so they are aware of what the EDC does and are doing. At the next meeting the members will review the Corporation's purpose from the By-Laws and Mission Statement. They will also review the Plan's strength and opportunities determine if how they need modification.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FOR ACTION AND DISCUSSION:

Meeting Dates: To be announced.

Future Agenda Items: Tour old Courthouse facility; Proposal for Center of Arts & Innovation; Review articles of incorporation.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second(Neubauer/Williamson) to adjourn at 11:00 am. Motion carried.

Submitted by

Marge Bostelmann
Secretary