

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
July 10, 2015

The regular meeting of the Green Lake County Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors was called to order by Vice President, Roger Field, at 8:30 AM on Friday, July 10, 2015, Green Lake County Government Center, Conference Room, 571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI. The requirements of the open meeting laws were certified as being met. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present: Roger Field Marge Bostelmann Harley Reabe
 Dave Abendroth Mary Lou Neubauer Phil Baranowski

Absent: Scott Sommers and Steve Sponholtz

Also present: Bill Wheeler, Paul Wheeler, Jay Dampier, Linda Ruggeri Michael Starshak, Kevin DeCramer and Tony Daley

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion/second (Baranowski/Abendroth) to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES

Motion/second (Reabe/Neubauer) to accept the minutes of May 8, 2015. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE – None

PUBLIC COMMENT – None

APPEARANCE

Update on the Wisconsin Hickory Association – Michael Starshak: Starshak updated the members on the start of the Hickory Association. The Association has about 25 to 30 members and they are developing a dues structure. The Association is looking for support and credibility and is applying for a Partnership Working Capital Grant. De Cramer discussed the grant application.

GLCVB REPORT

Linda stated that the Discover Wisconsin show did very well in the community. The market Research group was here already. Linda presented information on the Wisconsin room tax. She stated that the GLCVB does not receive any room tax as income. Discussion held on room tax. Total marketing budget and total budget \$110,850 total income is \$20,500 balance needed is \$90,350.

2016 BUDGET

The members discussed adding \$10,000 to the budget for the GLCVB.

Motion/second(Neubauer/Baranowski) to approve adding \$10, 000 to the County Chamber Commerce line item, making the total budget \$64,750. 5 ayes, 0 nays and 1 abstention (Reabe) Motion carried.

REPORT ON TRI-COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Major business closing Berlin Foundry and Daul Industries closed. Some businesses are looking for employees and they are hard to find in the area.

Upcoming Events:

Small Business conference at Volks Field July 29 to the 30th . See TREDC web page for information.

Central Wisconsin Health and Economic Summit, August 11, 2015 at Heidel House Resort in Green Lake.

Loan Committee approved an Amish building materials business (lumber yard)

TREDC 10th anniversary will be to focus of the 2015 Summit in fall.

An Article on Princeton Audio is in Insight Magazine.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance as of June 30, 2014:

Housing Grant: \$ 26,851.40

EDC Checkbook: \$ 12,875.23

Motion/second(Neubauer/Abendroth) to accept the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

VOUCHERS

\$10,000 for TREDC

Motion/second(Reabe/Neubauer) to approve the voucher. Motion carried.

FILL VACANCY OF BOARD MEMBER

Field asked that the members keep aware of people who may be interested. Daniel Hoppa attended the meeting in February and showed interest.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Jay reminded the members of the August 11th Central Wisconsin Health & Economic Summit at the Heidel House in Green Lake and August 26th Downtown Small Town Forum in Green Lake. Email will be sent out.

Neubauer left the meeting at 9:40.

Future Meeting Dates: September 11th at 8:30. Meeting site to be determined

Future Agenda Items for action & discussion: Meeting in businesses, possibility at Ripon Athletics.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion/second (Baranowski/Reabe) to adjourn 9:55 a.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by

Marge Bostelmann, Secretary