

JCACC Economic Develop Council
Notice of Meeting
8:30 a.m. Thursday, September 13, 2018

EDC Advisory Committee Members

Graham Foust – Chair, City
Mark Powers – Vice Chair, City
Pat Landes, City Commissioner/ Mayor
Willie Thornberg, County
Clint Francis, County

Charles Stimatze, County Commissioner
Stan Hambright, JCACC
Matt Junghans, JC1
David Walker, JC1

Ex-Officio

Mickey Fornaro-Dean; JCACC President & Director of Economic Development

Allen Dinkel; City Manager

- I. **3:30 PM Call to Order**
- II. **Approval of Agenda**
- III. **Approval of Minutes – July 2018**
- IV. **Financial Reports – July & August 2018**
- V. **Public Comments**
- VI. **Old Business**
 - A. Site Selection Investment Profile/ KDOC Card
 - B. AUSA Business Reception update
 - C. Business Expo update
 - D. Industrial Connectivity Project
- VII. **New Business**
 - A. E-Community Loan – **(Executive Session to discuss)**
 - B. Tech-Ed Project
 - C. Industrial Development Sites
- VIII. **Monthly Updates**
 - A. **Building Permits** – August permits currently unavailable (please see attachment for YTD through July)
 - B. **Work Ready Community**
 - C. **E-Community**
- IX. **Director's Report**
- X. **Prospect Report**
- XI. **Chairman's Remarks**
- XII. **Announcements**
- XIII. **Adjourn – Next meeting Thursday, October 11th at 8:30 a.m.**

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Minutes

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Mickey Fornaro-Dean (Interim CEO & EDC Director)

I. Call the Meeting to Order:

8:31 a.m. Chair Graham Foust called the meeting to order. Board member Clint Francis was absent. Others in attendance were Charles Martinez, Laurie Pieper, Michael Sellman, Dewey Terrill, Mickey Fornaro-Dean; President/CEO, and Katrina Higby; Finance Manager.

II. Approval of Agenda:

Mark Powers moved and Matt Junghans seconded to approve the agenda for the July meeting. Motion carried 6/0.

III. Approval of Minutes:

Mark Powers moved and David Walker seconded to approve the minutes of the June meeting. Motion carried 6/0.

Willie Thornberg, Pat Landes, and Michael Sellman arrived.

IV. Financial Reports - June 2018:

Mickey reviewed the Finance Manager's Report. She explained the 2017 balance due from the County and the response given to Katrina upon contacting Rebecca Nordyke regarding the balance. Charles Stimatze stated he would look into getting it paid or the reasoning behind the past due balance.

Willie Thornberg moved and Stan Hambright seconded to accept the June 2018 financial statements. Motion carried 8/0.

V. Public Comments:

NONE

VI. Old Business:

A. CAMSO public announcement – Friday, July 13th 12:00 p.m. at the C.L Hoover Opera House:
Mickey reviewed the attached schedule for the press conference on Friday. She also informed the committee of a conversation with Genevieve regarding the comments on the JC Post article and the perceived reaction from Camso and their representatives. Mickey reassured them that there is nothing to be concerned about and feels she was able to smooth over their concerns.

B. AUSA Business Reception:

Mickey reviewed the status of the planning for the October 9th Business Reception being put on by EDC with contributions from JC1 and the County in support. Estimated budget for the event is currently around \$10,000.

The reception will be held from 5-7 p.m. in the same venue as the AUSA reception as to provide access to both events for attendees that want to split their time and visit both receptions. The business reception is geared towards the vendors/businesses attending the event as a recruiting/networking opportunity.

C. Google & Grow info:

Mickey reviewed the Google & Grow event being put on in a joint effort between the Chamber and the Washburn SBDC (Laurie Pieper). She encouraged everyone to sign up and issued a challenge to each committee member to either sign up or get someone to sign up. *Info flyer attached.

D. Business Expo update (Wednesday, September 5th 5-8 p.m.):

Mickey reviewed the upcoming Business Expo event for the Chamber and let everyone know that there are currently 66 registrants and there is room for 108. She encouraged everyone to sign up or get someone else to sign up for the event.

VII. New Business:

A. County Contribution from 2017:

Mickey informed the committee that the County, while paid for 2018 to date, is past due \$11,407.50 from 2017 and when Katrina contacted the County Treasurer, was informed that “there wasn’t funding available to pay the amount last year, and it would get paid later this year, once funding was available.” Charles Stimatze stated that he would look into the matter.

B. Industrial Connectivity Project:

Mickey is working with current and incoming industrial companies in the area along Old Hwy 40 and the Cox Communications company to address internet connectivity issues and what possible solutions there may be to fix the problems. Currently one of the companies reports having to send their employee home to download project plans then return to the office to work on them as the internet access isn’t sufficient to support their needs.

VIII. Monthly Updates:

A. Building Permits – Currently unavailable

B. Work Ready Community – No new activity to report

C. E-Community – No new activity to report (a few inquiries but no actual activity)

IX. Director’s Report:

- Mickey called June “Camso Month” as most of her time was spent finalizing “Project Wildcat” which was announced as a success as Camso has chosen Junction City as the site for their new manufacturing facility.
- Mickey attended Select USA Summit in Washington D.C. and gave updates on the contacts and follow ups from that event. She will be attending the Transportation Logistics Conference in Colorado the first part of August.
- Mickey shared with the Committee that we have been invited to join the EAIC (European American Investment Council) which is by invite only and we are one of 3 Kansas organizations to be included (Emporia and Wichita).
- Mickey is meeting with Cloud County Community College reps about possible training partnerships.
- Mickey is in conversation with JNT Company and the marketing videos/campaign previously started.
- Mickey expressed concern that with the Spartan Nash building taken, we need to talk to companies to see what will keep us in the “running” for the projects we were finalists on. Will they be willing to consider green sites, or do we need to have a spec building?

X. Prospect Report:

Mickey reviewed the prospect report for June. She got 12 new prospects in May and 2 so far in June. Totaling 81 prospects. Project Trigger is closed. It was reported that we were removed from the running and Mickey stated she believes all Kansas locations have been removed from consideration.

XI. Chairman's Remarks:

Graham expressed great appreciation to Mickey and partners for all the hard work invested in the Camso project. This is HUGE for the community and needs to be recognized how much work went into this success. Graham added that he's been hearing rumors that Junction City is on the verge of an upswing and there is exciting potential in store for the community.

XII. Announcements:

Allen Dinkel spoke to the committee about meetings being held for possible roundabouts being installed and lighting/ walking paths in connection with the new high school being built to accommodate the increase in traffic to certain areas of town.

XIII. Adjourn – Next meeting will be August 16, 2018 at 8:30 a.m. at the Chamber offices. (Note date change due to Mickey being in Colorado for the Logistics Conference):

With no further business, Pat Landes moved and Mark Powers seconded to adjourn the July meeting at 9:31 a.m. Motion carried 8/0.