

**Economic Development Commission
Advisory Committee
Meeting**

Thursday, November 9, 2017 8:30 a.m.

To: Committee Members

Graham Foust, Chair

Matt Junghans

City Commissioner, Pat Landes

Guest- Allen Dinkel

Ty Arneson, Vice Chair

Mark Powers

Mark Stenstrom

Clint Francis

LaFarris Risby

County Commissioner, Charles Stimatze

From: Graham Foust, Chairman

Minutes

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Please respect others by turning all cell phones off and not talking when someone else is. Thank you!

I. Call the Meeting to Order:

8:32 a.m. Graham Foust (1-0), Chair called the meeting to order. In attendance were Ty Arneson (1-0), Clint Francis (1-0), Matt Junghans (1-0), Mark Powers (1-0), Pat Landes (1-0), Charles Stimatze (1-0), Amie Armstrong and Mickey Fornaro-Dean. Not in attendance were LaFarris Risby (0-1), and Mark Senstrom (0-1).

Guests in attendance were Allen Dinkel; City of Junction City, Shelley Paasch; Network Kansas, Laurie Pieper; SBDC, Alan Rothlisberg; City of Grandview Plaza, and Charles Martinez; Geary County Health Department.

II. Approval of Agenda:

Matt Junghans moved, Ty Arneson seconded to approve the agenda with proposed additions. Motion carried 6/0.

III. Approval of Minutes: October 2017

Mark Powers stated that he pointed out the corrections to the October minutes, not Matt Junghans. He also pointed out that Mark Stenstrom was not in attendance at last month's meeting.

Mark Powers moved, Charles Stimatze seconded to approve the minutes of the October meeting. Motion carried 6/0.

IV. Financial Report:

Katrina presented the financial report for October.

Mark Powers moved, Matt Junghans seconded to accept the October financials. Motion carried 6/0.

V. Public Comments:

Alan Rothlisberg announced that he was elected to Grandview City Commission.

VI. Old Business/New Business:

Discussion of Chamber & Division Restructure: **See Attachment**

The first draft of a potential restructuring for the Chamber, EDC, and MAC was presented to the Committee. There was considerable discussion on how this may work and the importance of the Economic Development efforts. Chairman Foust, along with Director Mickey Dean reiterated this was a draft and not yet approved. The hope was to begin bringing the EDC Committee up to speed on the organizational issues being discussed and dealt with at present.

VII. Action Items

Discussion of E-Community Request:

Mickey and Shelley Paasch presented potential E-Community loan request then discussed how it may not be submitted, due to needing a 2nd tax ID number. The client needs to make this decision.

With Shelley here from Network Kansas there was considerable discussion on the terms of our E-Community loans. With the EDC Advisory Board acting as the decision-making entity for E-Community loans, the group needed to vote on the basic terms of future loans. Shelley helped inform members on where other communities fall in this area. With this guidance, terms were voted on.

Mark Powers moved, Ty Arneson seconded to approve the interest rate of 1.5-3% for up to 10 years with possibility of 1st year no interest. Motion carried 7/0.

VIII. Monthly Update:

A. NRP:

See Attachment

B. Building Permits

See Attachment.

C. WRC:

Covered in Director's Report.

IX. Director's Report

A. Director's Report/ Updates

Attached you will find Directors report, that Mickey reviewed during the meeting.

B. Prospect Report

Attached you will find the Prospect report, that Mickey reviewed during the meeting.

X. Chairman's Remarks

Graham encouraged others to reach out to new Commissioners and elected officials, and congratulate them.

XI. Announcements

None.

XII. Adjourn – Next meeting December 14, 2017

Mark Powers motioned, and Clint Francis seconded to adjourn the October EDC meeting at 9:53 A.M. Motion carried 5/0.