

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

West Square Building, Rm B30
505 Broadway Street, Baraboo, Wisconsin

Thursday, July 24, 2014

Members present: Marty Krueger, Donna Stehling, Peter Vedro, Nathan Johnson, Dennis Polivka, Dave Riek, Brian Peper

Members absent: none

Others present: Kathy Schauf, Bill Stehling, Steve Pate, Gina Templin, budget presenters

The meeting was called to order and certification of Open Meeting compliance was given at 4:30 p.m.

The agenda was approved on a motion by Polivka, second by Riek. Motion carried.

The meeting minutes from the prior meeting were approved on a motion by Stehling, second by Polivka. Motion carried.

Public Comment None

Communications Chair Krueger shared a communication updating on progress regarding Broadband Assessment Tool for surveying businesses in rural areas regarding connectivity.

Outside agency presentation of 2015 budget request

Sauk County Development Corporation - Jim Allen. Request - \$72,528. Increase to cover hardware, software, and website design for 2015. **Motion by Polivka, second by Stehling, to approve the budget request of \$72,528, and forward to the Finance Committee for consideration as part of the 2015 budget. Motion carried.**

Baraboo Dells Airport - Cheryl Giese. Request - \$4,100. Motion by Riek, second by Stehling, to approve the budget request of \$4,100, and forward to the Finance Committee for consideration as part of the 2015 budget. Motion carried.

Tri-County Airport - Marc Higgs and Don Stevens. Request - \$16,805. Higgs highlighted changes to budget request for specific projects. Improvements in parking, drainage, and septic system. **Motion by Polivka, second by Johnson, to approve the budget request of \$16,805, and forward to the Finance Committee for consideration as part of the 2015 budget. Motion carried.**

Sauk Prairie Airport - David Landsverk and Roger Thistle. Request - \$4,100. Landsverk highlighted 2014 activities, including installation of a PAPI system to ensure safety. **Motion by Peper, second by Stehling, to approve the budget request of \$4,100, and forward to the Finance Committee for consideration as part of the 2015 budget. Motion carried.**

Wisconsin River Rail Transit – John Miller. Request - \$28,000. Focus on improving track(s) as a long term project. **Motion by Polivka, second by Vedro, to approve the budget request of \$28,000 and forward to the Finance Committee for consideration as part of the 2015 budget. Motion carried.**

Reedsburg Airport - Steve Zibell. Request - \$4,100. Motion by Johnson, second by Riek, to approve the budget request of \$4,100, and forward to the Finance Committee for consideration as part of the 2015 budget. Motion carried.

Pink Lady Rail Transit Commission - Alan Anderson. Request - \$675. Motion by Vedro, second by Peper, to approve the budget request of \$675, and forward to the Finance Committee for consideration as part of the 2015 budget. Motion carried.

Next meeting: **August 28, 2014, 6:00 p.m. Broadband report on rural areas and plans for moving forward.**

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Motion by Peper, second by Vedro, to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Stehling
Economic Development Committee Secretary