

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
OF WAYNE COUNTY, INDIANA
Board Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 3, 2009**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Ahaus, Hackman, Holman, Kem, Semler, Smith, Spears, Veramallay

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Baumgartner, Chamness, Jackson, Powell

STAFF PRESENT: Doty, Groth, Hansen, Rogers, Shaffer

STAFF ABSENT: van Niekerk

GUESTS PRESENT: Denny Burns - Wayne County Commissioner
Mike Gibbs – Ivy Tech
Jeff Lane - WHON/Kicks 96
Chris Nolte – WKBV/WFMG Radio
Diana Pappin – City Council/Ivy Tech
Karen Pipes – Chase Bank
George Sowers – EDC Counsel– Knoll, Kolger, Sowers, Metzger
Kim Thurlow – Ivy Tech
Dan Wandersee – Centerville
Andrew Wyder – Palladium Item

CALL TO ORDER

Board Vice Chairman Kevin Ahaus called the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Corporation of Wayne County, Indiana to order at 4:02 p.m. on Monday, August 3, 2009, at the Centerville-Abington Senior Center in Centerville and thanked them for their hospitality.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Kem, second by Hackman to approve the minutes from the July 6, 2009, monthly Board of Directors meeting. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

July Financial Statement

Hackman reported that the EDC was under budget \$62,269.87 for the year, but slightly over budget for July (\$28,002.22) in the following lien items: Personal Services due to 3 payrolls in July; Office Supplies due to supplies for shovel ready certification filing; Printed Office Supplies due to new stationery and business card production; Garage & Motor Supplies due to oil change and tire repair for the Explorer; In-House Supplies due to refreshments for meetings and supplies for the office; Contractual/Professional Services due to paying engineering fees related to shovel ready certification which will be reimbursed when we are certified (\$11,050.00); Travel/Lodging/Meals due to EDC staff mileage and attendance at events; Outside Services-Cleaning due to reissue of lost check to cleaning service; Rent-Equipment due to postage machine rental; Rent-Building due to paying August rent 7/312/09; Advertising and PR due to purchasing USB flash drives for site selector information and attendance and IEDC site selector event on

7/31/09; and Office Furniture due to replacing broken desk chair in office. **Motion by Veramally, second by Spears to approve the report as presented. Motion carried.**

EDC STAFF REPORT

Rogers for van Niekerk – Rogers reported for van Niekerk who was on vacation that the awarding of the shovel ready certification that van Niekerk had completed and filed will be 11, 2009 and that ACCRA Cost of Living Survey for Wayne County will be published in the third quarter.

Shaffer – Shaffer discussed hers and Rogers attendance at the IEDC and the contacts they had generated from that event. Rogers interjected that he felt there were “suspect opportunities” to come from that event as well. Shaffer also expanded on her written report and discussed upcoming events.

Hansen – Hansen discussed his written report and gave a report on what business retention and expansion functions are for the EDC.

Doty – Doty discussed her written report and gave a marketing update regarding the new EDC website, new stationery, letterhead, promotional items such as the USB flash drives, etc. She also discussed the Milton project and the Cardinal Greenways project.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance – Hackman reported that the Finance Committee met discussed the General Ledger for July along with a proposed transfer of funds and that Groth will be processing payroll in house with ADP to cut expenses along with looking into direct debits for monthly repeat bills.

B. Personnel – Semler reported that the Personnel Committee did not meet in July.

C. Marketing – Holman reported that the Marketing Committee did not meet in July.

D. Industrial Park – Rogers reported that the Industrial Committee met and Shaffer had updated the committee on Steve Slonaker’s progress regarding Gateway Industrial Park. Shaffer also reported on the progress of the Midwest Industrial Park RFP. Rogers reported that there was an upcoming meeting scheduled regarding the Hagerstown Green Park and that Western Wayne Regional Sewage District had contacted the EDC regarding problems with some of their lift stations in the Gateway Industrial Park.

E. Executive – Ahaus reported that the Executive Committee met and Hansen reported on Belden EDIT Application 09-123. There was a motion by Hackman, second by Ahaus, to recommend 09-123 for approval to the Board. Ahaus reported on the findings of the task force and passed around a handout showing the results of their meetings which will be given to the Board at the August board meeting. Ahaus then reported that the Executive Committee had recommended an extension of the temporary housing allowance given to Rogers since his house in Illinois has still not sold. This allowance would be for \$500.00 per month to cease in four months or upon the sale of his Illinois residence. **Motion by Spears, second by Hackman to approve the extension of the housing allowance for Rogers as presented. Motion carried.** Ahaus then updated the Board regarding the Western Wayne Regional Sewage District and reported that the EDC had stepped in using discretionary funds to repair two lift stations for WWRSD.

EDIT GRANT EXECUTIVE SUMMARY, BELDEN, 09-123

Hansen reported on this EDIT application. **Motion by Semler, second by Holman, to approve the EDIT Application as presented from Consolidated EDIT funds (\$25,000.00) training grant. Motion carried.**

EDC WORK PLAN TASK FORCE UPDATE

Ahaus discussed the EDC Work Plan the task force had come up with and which was distributed in the board packet. He asked for feedback directly to him prior to the next board meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Rogers thanked Chris Luken for his work for the second summer as intern to the EDC and talked about Luken's many strengths and the help he had been to the EDC especially on updating the fact book. Rogers also discussed the IEDC consultant's forum and stated that he was very proud of the EDC staff and organization in comparison with the other attendees. He then reported that he felt there might be some nice and exciting announcements coming up in the near future.

ADJOURNMENT

Ahaus thanked everyone for attending and the meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING– 4:00 p.m. on TUESDAY, September 1, 2009, at
Golay Center, Cambridge City, Indiana.**