

SHEPHERD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULAR MEETING

Shepherd EDC Building, 10501 Hwy 150

Monday, February 5, 2018 at 6:00 P. M.

OFFICIAL MINUTES: Regular Called Meeting

Members Present: Joe Williamson Jody Cronin
Earl Brown Sherry Roberts

Members Absent: Roy Pippin Linda Yates Gary Powell

Others Present: Debra Hagler,

CALLED TO ORDER/INVOCATION/PLEDGE

Joe Williamson called the meeting to order. Jody Cronin said the prayer and the pledges were stated.

Sherry Roberts asked about the travel plaza presentation that was mentioned in the minutes. She ask about annexation and several other things regarding this.

APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Sherry Roberts made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Jody Cronin seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL MONTHLY PAYMENT OF BILLS

Jody Cronin made a motion to pay the bills. Sherry Roberts seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote. There was discussion of securities and the possibilities to put some of the funds in CD's.

CITIZEN PRESENTATIONS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Discuss and take action needed to set EDC annual goals for 2018

Annual Goals were discussed but there was no vote on this item. Suggested goals mentioned were, move funds and open some CD's, Secure Businesses and promote economic development, find a way to solve the lack of available housing.

Discuss and take action needed to have each board member solicit businesses to come to Shepherd.

No action was taken on this item. Questions were asked..."What do I say?" Thus the lack of information was discussed. The board agreed they need more expertise, more knowledge including the need to know about property values, etc. to be able to "talk the talk." The improvements and expansion of the infrastructure was mentioned. The

City is in the process of doing a comprehensive study to determine the City's needs. The Mayor mentioned that there will be FEMA funds for repairs coming soon.

Discuss and take action to solicit an assisted living center to come to this area.

No action was taken on this item. The Mayor also informed the board that there would be a lady from grants works speaking regarding housing at the next council meeting.

Discuss and take action to select officers for 2018.

Jody nominated Joe Williamson to remain president, Sherry Roberts seconded. It passed with a unanimous vote. Earl Brown nominated Jody Cronin to remain Vice President. Sherry Roberts seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote. Sherry Roberts nominated Debra Hagler to remain secretary. Earl Brown seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Discuss and take action to enforce the removal of board members if they have three unexcused absences.

Jody Cronin made a motion to enforce the removal of board members after 3 consecutive or unexcused absences. Sherry Roberts seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote. Jody stated this will hold the board more accountable.

Discuss and take action regarding the EDC Seminar for February 27, 2018 from 10:00am-1:30pm with the purposes of educating the board to be task force ready.

Jody Cronin made a motion to sponsor an EDC Seminar on Feb 27, 2018 and to provide a meal spending up to \$500.00 Sherry Roberts seconded and the motion passed with a unanimous vote. Earl pointed out that Mrs. Russo suggested the attendees be Shepherd and not County minded. Sherry Roberts mention that she probably could not attend as she already has a Dr. apt scheduled for her husband.

OPEN DISCUSSION

Jody Cronin mentioned the possibility of getting Senator Nichols' aid, Mr. Hale< to share some economic tips with the board.

ADJOURN

Sherry Roberts made a motion to adjourn. Jody Cronin seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Approved by:

Joe Williamson, EDC President

Prepared by Debra Hagler, Secretary/Treasurer