



*Anderson County Development Agency*

Tuesday, September 20, 2022

5:00pm, City Hall

- I. Call to Order: Called to order at 5:23pm by Eric Glaze, Chairman. In attendance: Casey Smith, Les McGhee, County Commissioner, Eric Glaze, Reuben Feuerborn, Dwight Nelson, Eileen Burns, and Julie Turnipseed, Director.
- II. Guest: Paula Scott
- III. Approval of Minutes -August 16, 2022: Casey made motion to approve as presented, Les second. Motion passed.
- IV. Review August 2022 Financial Statements: Casey made motion to approve, Dwight second. Motion passed.
- V. New Business
  - a. Business Recruitment and Retention Activity
    - i. New Business Activity: There is activity in the early stages but nothing public right now. Dollar Tree and Family Dollar progressing slowly. Short Stop progressing quickly. Completion date is March 2023 for both. Candy Store still in progress with planning. Williams Monuments has started construction on a new building. Building of Reuben Esch's church is progressing quickly.
    - ii. Business Retention & Expansion Report: no discussion
  - b. Downtown Revitalization
    - i. Update: Planters are in place. Committee is unable to get consistent attendance of sub-committees. Jody Cole did a grant application for facades. Julie will attend the next quarterly meeting of Kansas Mainstreet.
  - c. Childcare
    - i. Childcare Center – update- Parkwood should open middle of October. Applying for \$50,000 in a seed grant for childcare, Library and City of Kincaid, and Garnett Library. They are waiting on some inspections. 29 children are on the waiting list as of now with 75 available total positions.
  - d. Housing
    - i. SEK, Inc Housing Coalition: Julie is a member and will meet monthly.
    - ii. Housing Study-. Julie received 2 proposals. One that was not in our potential budget and another, RDG, would charge \$12,000, but could not do it until

January. The third, Atlas, is within our budget and can start ASAP. Dwight will take the proposals to several outside sources to try and secure a funding for a budget of \$15,000. Discussion ensued about the proposals and what fits our needs.

e. Morning Mingle

i. Business Coach Update – Great turn out of about 10 local businesses.

- VI. Other Business- You Are Beautiful Sign installation. The only city in Kansas that will have one. It began as a sticker spreading a hopeful message through public art. The goal? To be a positive force and transmit a simple idea: *Everyone deserves to feel good.*
- VII. Directors Report- Julie presented report to the Board.
- VIII. Adjourn: Les moved, Casey second. Meeting was adjourned at 6:06pm
- IX. Next Meeting: October 18, 2022, 5:00 p.m. City Hall