

ACDA Board of Directors Meeting
March 22, 2016

The Board of Directors for the Anderson County Development Agency met on Tuesday, March 22, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. at Garnett City Hall with the following members present: Reuben Feuerborn, Mike Hill, Les McGhee, Doug Rockers and Sandra Zook. Absent: Eileen Burns and Bill Craig. Also attending were Dennis Arnold, Economic Development Director, and Jamie Hofling, Network Kansas.

Mike Hill made a motion to approve the minutes of February 16, 2016 as presented. Doug Rockers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Dennis Arnold gave updates on the Creative Arts Grant and reported it was finally closed out.

No activity to report on airport property. Dennis stated that the sale price on the original R & S Pipe Supply building has been lowered to \$270,000. It is a nice building and has a natural gas well. It's biggest detraction is relatively low sidewalls. Bauman's Carpet and Furniture building is for sale, as well as the former Kids Creations building. The Taylor Forge building should come on the market soon.

Dennis also reported on the Social Media Symposium to be held at the high school on March 29th to help local businesses with marketing through Facebook, etc.

Jamie Hofling made a presentation on programs offered to E-Communities by Network Kansas (Susan Wettstein joined the meeting). Programs include:

- Youth Entrepreneurship Challenge (YEC)
- Kansas Ice House Program
- Growing Rural Business Program
- Destination BootCamp & Destination BootCamp Community Reinvention Program (CRP)
- Economic Gardening
- E-Accelerator

A copy of the handout provided by Ms. Hofling is attached and hereto made a part of the original minutes.

Susan Wettstein brought before the board an inquiry from Tami Hiestand about participating in the Destination BootCamp. Discussion was held; no action taken.

Upon further discussion, Reuben volunteered to champion the YEC Program locally. Dennis discussed getting an abbreviated version of the Ice House Program. That led into brainstorming using parts of the program with the YEC. Dennis will discuss this further with Jamie at a later time.

The meeting concluded at 6:34 p.m.