

Minutes

Anderson County Development Agency

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

Garnett City Hall

- I. The meeting was called to order at 5:06 pm with the following board members in attendance: John Wilson, Les McGhee, Reuben Feueborn, Doug Rockers, and Casey Smith. Julie Turnipseed, Economic Development Director was also present.

- II. Approval of Minutes: Les McGhee mad a motion to approve the minutes of April 30,2019 seconded by Casey Smith. Motion carried.
 - a. Chris Weiner, City Manager presented the 2020 Budget draft with the comparisons from 2018, 2019 and the proposed budget for 2020.
 - b. Chris Weiner discusses the current budget was funded through a contribution from the City and County and a \$4,000 contribution from ACDA. Discussion followed. The consensus was the City Manager and ACDA Board along with the County Commission were all satisfied with the direction of the leadership and board of ACDA.

- III. Review of April Financial Statement: Reuben Feueborn suggested that the percentage of the year remaining be added to the financials. Casey Smith made a motion to approve the financial statement, seconded by John Wilson. Motion carried.

- IV. Old Business
 - a. Reuben Feueborn suggested that we set up lunch time tours of industrial sites in Anderson County. Julie Turnipseed will set up the first tour of GENCO with ACDA paying for the lunches.

 - b. Julie Turnipseed asked if the board would like to go to different locations for monthly board meetings. The consensus was to keep the meeting location at City Hall.

 - c. *Business Visitation Program*
 - i. Julie Turnipseed reported that Eric Glaze was creating and Excel Spreadsheet for the BRES survey results.

 - d. *2019 Strategic Plan*

- i. Julie Turnipseed commented on the plan and the progress that we are making. She also discussed the 2020 plan should be more comprehensive with additional information such as budget amount and who is assigned to complete the tasks.

- e. Work Keys Community Certification

- i. Julie Turnipseed reported that she is building the Work Ready Committee. She has Jerry Howarter and Don Blome who have agreed to serve on the committee. She has set up a meeting with Janay Blome for next week. The process will take approximately two years to become certified.

- V. New Business

- a. April Directors Report

- i. Reuben Feuerborn asked Julie Turnipseed what her greatest take away was from here report. She talked about the experience at the Jon Schallert Community Destination BootCamp.

- b. Mowing for 10th Avenue Lot

- i. Reuben Feuerborn's father mowed the property. He will get someone to mow it for the spring, summer and fall for \$50 each mowing.

- c. Farmers' Market Participation

- i. Julie Turnipseed talked about the current location and structure of the Farmer's Market. She had talked with Rosanna Bauman about the need for an organization to help with the structure and possibly ACDA be that organization. The consensus of the board was to see how it goes and revisit it later.

- VI. Other Business

VII. John Wilson made a motion to adjourn seconded by Casey Smith. Meeting was adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

VIII. Next Meeting is June 18, 2019

Julie Turnipseed, Executive Director

Anderson County E- Community

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

Garnett City Hall

- I. The meeting was called to order at 6:40 with the following board members in attendance: John Wilson, Les McGhee, Reuben Feuerborn, Doug Rockers and Casey Smith. Julie Turnipseed, Executive Director was also present.
- II. Approval of Minutes: Doug Rockers made a motion to approve the April 30, 2019 minutes seconded by John Wilson. Motion carried.
- III. Review of the Financials: Doug Rockers presented the April 2019 financials. There was no discussion.
- IV. Old Business:
 - a. Lenders/Contractors Meeting: Reuben Feuerborn commented that the meeting was well attended and went on longer than anticipated which was a good thing. He was surprised at the turnout from the contractors. Les McGhee agreed with the comments. Les McGhee commented that the contractors were concerned about investing in rundown houses and not seeing a return on their investment. Les McGhee talked about a Land Bank program, discussion from the board followed. Some members could see the E-Community be the leader in implementing the Land Bank and how it is uniquely positioned for acquisition and demolition.
- V. New Business:
 - a. Destination BootCamp Presentations:
 - i. Val Katzer Foltz, owner of Monroe 816 and Erin Miller, owner of Garnett Flowers and Gifts both gave their impression of the Jon Schallert Community Destination BootCamp and how they plan to implement what they learned. Both were very impressed and overwhelmed at the valuable information they came away with.
 - b. Jon Schallert visit is June 24 & 25:
 - i. The community meeting is June 25 from 8:00 – 9:30 am at the Dutch Country Café. Julie Turnipseed asked all board members to help get the word out to the community and region.
 - c. Development Opportunity Profile
 - i. Julie Turnipseed let the board know that Shelley Paasch will be at the June meeting. Don Macke will call into the meeting to give us an overview of the profile he created for Anderson County.
 - d. Potential Loan Applications
 - i. Julie Turnipseed reported that at this time we do not have any applications for the E-Community Loan Program.
- VI. Other Business
 - i. Reuben Feuerborn suggested that the E-Community fund the ACDA ½ of the \$4,000 pledged funds now and the remaining ½ in November/December. Casey Smith made a

motion to pay the \$2,000 now and the remaining in November/December Les McGee seconded the motion. Motion carried.

VII. Adjourn:

a. Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 6:36 all agreed. Meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting is June 18, 2019

Julie Turnipseed, Executive Director