



Anderson County Development Agency

EKAE Board Room

Tuesday, February 16, 2021

- I. Call to Order. Eric called the meeting to order at 5:04pm in attendance: Eric Glaze, County Commissioner Les McGhee, Doug Rockers, Eileen Burns, Casey Smith, Cody Gettler, Reuben Feuerborn, Julie Turnipseed, Executive Director, and City Manager, Chris Weiner.
- II. Approval of Minutes – January 19, 2021. Les made a motion to approve as presented, Casey seconded. Motion passed.
- III. Review of January 2021 Financial Statements. Doug made motion to approve, Casey seconded. Motion passed.
- IV. Old Business
 - a. Community Give Back Program: Casey reported that the Chamber would like to continue this program internally and thanked ACDA for their past involvement.
- V. New Business
 - a. Business Recruitment and Retention Activity: 2 RFIs last week. Peter Ruiz called today and had some questions about the first submission and said that it is being looked at for private land. ***Julie got a request during the meeting for a site meeting*** A consultant also called about the second one with some additional questions. Another business prospect Julie has been working with the last 9 months has not returned any calls.
 - b. COVID-19 – update
 - i. CDBG-CV Funding Update: (Community Development Block Grants) County paid out one last week. City and County still have funds left.
 - c. Land Bank – Next step: Will be on City Commission agenda on Feb. 23rd, 5pm. Eric attended the last meeting. Julie is preparing the responses to Greg Gwinn's concerns that Eric, Cody, Chris, and Julie discussed after that meeting. They are

going to highlight Wyandotte County's regulations to show him how those concerns have been addressed elsewhere. Board continued to discuss free enterprise and the concern of competing with the private sector. Board made the point that at any time the Commissioners could dissolve this and that everyone on the Board would be appointed. Chris is hoping to get \$500-\$1000 next year allotted for Land Bank in the budget should it pass. Board also discussed:

*Benefits of revitalization in these areas.

*Where the Board should be set up: In the Commission or ACDA. (Chris said even if the ACDA is the Board, it is still subject to open record.)

*Seed money needs for any unforeseen upfront expenses

*Where administration should initially be-ACDA office was discussed.

- d. Lead For Change – Kansas Leadership Center through KS Leadership Center, leadership skill course that Julie is taking every Tuesday for 6 weeks.
- e. January 2021 Director's Report: Julie presented weekly reports that were reviewed by the Board.
- f. Airport Meeting: Next month Pat Schettler from the airport will talk to us about what will take Feb. 25th at City Hall at 6pm to talk about proposed developments. He will also be at the March meeting.

*Nick Durand joined meeting 5:52pm

VI. 2021 Strategic Plan

- a. Land Use Map discussion – Garrett Gross, City of Garnett Zoning Administrator and Building Official was unable to attend but will be at March meeting.

VII. Other Business

- a. Morning Mingle – Chocolate Tour – March 6, 2021, 12 participating businesses. Helping to build the framework for the Main Street Program.
- b. Executive Director's Compensation: Eric updated the Board on the joint Commission meeting. There was a motion to give Julie the full raise \$10,000 ea. from County and City and was voted down 2-4. Then unanimously voted to offer Julie up to \$65,000, ½ amount in 2021 and remaining ½ the amount in 2022. The board further discussed the situation. The Board supports the Director's request, but the decision is with the joint commissions.

VIII. Adjourn: Reuben made a motion to adjourn. Casey seconded. 6:27pm

IX. Next Meeting: March 16, 2021

Eileen Burns, Secretary