

Jasper County Economic, INC.

Annual Business Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 2nd, 2019 at 1:15 P.M.

Jasper County Chamber Office

Peoples State Bank Room

Attending: Josh Bolman, Doug Weddell, Kris Newton, Natalie Hopson, Larry Brooks, Tom Brown, Beth Probst, Ed Webb, Mark Bolander, Amber Volk, Ron Heltsley, Marlene Harris, Brett Lessley, Louis Ochs, Jason Warfel, Mike Hall, Ashley Waggoner,

1. Call to order, Mark Bolander.*
2. Motion to approve previous meeting minutes made by Doug Weddell, second by Marlene Harris, motion passed.
3. Special Guests:
 - a. Matt Hall Regional Director, Office of Congressman Shimkus – His office would be able to offer a support letter for any grants we apply for.
 - b. Ashley Waggoner, Grant Writer – offering her services for anyone needing a grant writer. Her commission is 10% of grant obtained.
4. Monthly Updates
 - a. Amber Volk, Executive Director
 - i. Currently working from home. Will be back in her office the beginning of May.
 - ii. The Indiana Railroad is looking to work on a bridge west of Newton. Current start date is unknown.
 - iii. The Little Diner is planning to open on April 5th. Located east of the Peoples State Bank Drive-Up.
 - b. Mark Bolander, Mayor of Newton
 - i. The Little Diner has applied for a TIF application
 - ii. Pizza Man is currently adding updates and is looking to apply for a TIF application in the near future.
 - iii. The Mid Illinois Quick Care is in full use by the public. 12 patrons were helped on Sunday.
 - iv. A Marketing Meeting will take place on Thursday, April 11th, 2019 at 9:00am located in the Chamber Building.
 - c. Ron Heltsley, Jasper County Board Chairman
 - i. The County Jail project still underway and looking for the right spot.
 - d. Beth Probst, High School Principle.
 - i. 37 days of school left.
 - ii. The Cinderella Musical was a must see.
 - iii. CEO Trade Show is Wednesday, April 24th, 2019 at 5:00pm located at the KC Hall.
5. Comments from those attending the meeting.
 - a. Doug Weddell – Natalie Hopson will be leaving the Chamber.

6. Motion to close meeting made by Louie Ochs, second by Natalie Hopson, and motion passed.

*Scott Bierman was unable to attend.



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