

Minutes
Anderson County Development Agency
January 19, 2016
City Hall, Garnett, KS

In attendance:, Reuben Feuerborn, Les McGhee, Mike Hill and Doug Rockers, along with Dennis Arnold, Economic Director. Absent: Eileen Burns, Bill Craig and Sandra Zook.

Dennis Arnold, Economic Director called the meeting to order at 5:25pm and asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the November 17, 2015 meeting. Les McGhee moved to approve the minutes and Doug Rockers seconded the motion.

Discussion of Old Business

- A. Growing Rural Business Program
 - 1. Program was beneficial but should have been condensed and had more speakers who had owned businesses.
- B. Airport Property
 - 1. Nothing new to report.
- C. Creative Arts Grant
 - 1. Art in Iron murals discussed.
 - 2. Dennis is finishing final report for State.

Discussion of New Business

- A. Taylor Forge
 - a. Possible use for facilities when they move out.
- B. Economic Director Contract
 - a. Dennis discussed his contract. Due to wishes of City Commission for employees he asked committee to revisit the recommended compensation mentioned in November. Doug motioned to recommend a 2% a year merit raise for 2016 and a 2% raise in 2017. Also, for Dennis to receive any cost of living increase which is given to other City employees during that time. Rueben seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- C. Dennis reviewed a couple of prospects he had shown existing buildings to.
- D. Jamie Hofling with Network Kansas has asked to be on the March agenda. She wants to go over all of Network Kansas' new programs including the Youth Business Plan Competition.
- E. March meeting was discussed and planned for March 22, 2016 due to Spring Break.

With there being no further business to discuss, Reuben Feuerborn made a motion to adjourn seconded by Les McGhee. The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Minutes written by Dennis Arnold for Eileen Burns, Secretary.

Next meeting date is March 22, 2016 at 5:00pm at City Hall.