



Tuesday, January 17, 2023  
Meeting Minutes

*Call to Order:* Casey Smith, Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

*Attendance:* Casey Smith, Chairman, Dwight Nelson, County Commissioner Les McGhee, Eric Glaze and City Commissioner Jody Cole. Julie Turnipseed, Director and Janet Miller, NetWork Kansas.

*Approval of the Minutes:* Eric made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2022, meeting. Les seconded the motion and a vote was taken, the motion passed.

*Review of the December 2022 Financial Statement:* Dwight made a motion to approve the financials, Eric seconded the motion. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.

*New Business:*

*Business Retention & Expansion:* Julie updated the board of the new businesses that were locating in Garnett.

*Land Acquisition:* Julie has reached out to the EDA to inquire about a grant to purchase property for development purposes. She will report on the results next month.

*Downtown Revitalization:* Julie reported that the next DGS Advisory Board meeting will be held on January 18.

*Child Care:*

*Child Care Center:* Julie reported that Parkwood Day School Garnett is waiting on KEDH to make the final in person inspection hopefully the last step to opening the center.

*Anderson County Child Care Coalition:* Julie reported that the coalition will not need to conduct a Needs Assessment prior to completing and submitting part one of the grant application. She mentioned that the Child Care Providers met last week and were asked to fill out a survey to help gather information for the need assessment. The Anderson County Child Care Coalition will be meeting next week.

*Housing:*

*SEK Inc, Housing Coalition* met last week. Julie reported that she has spoken to a housing developer and invited him to visit Garnett. He has been here and looked for buildings to rehab for housing. He is currently looking at a building in Greeley. The coalition took a tour of the Leroy housing project.

*Housing Study:* Julie reported that the housing study will be conducted in the month of March. Focus groups will be held the week of March 13. We will be asking representative from government, real estate, banking, contractors, housing authority, seniors, and builders to participate.

*Morning Mingle:*

Julie reported that Sue Page owner of Parker One Stop was the speaker at the January Morning Mingle. She spoke about starting her business and what she attributes her success to.

*Other Business:*

*NRP Restructuring Update:* Julie reported that the NRP committee will be presenting the draft revised NRP to the City and County Commissioners in January and to the USD 365 in February for comments and input.

*SEED Grant:* Julie reported that the SEED grant to Kincaid and Garnett Libraries, City of Kincaid and Parkwood Day School Garnett is moving along. The recipients are waiting for the grant agreement to signed so they can get started.

*2023 ACDA Strategic Plan -No Update.*

*Coffey County Military Microchip development:* Julie updated the board on the latest detail of this project. Discussion followed.

*Adjournment:* The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 by a motion from Les and seconded by Eric. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.