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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

August 20, 2015

Members Present:

Jerry Dinges Robert Trentman
Bob Allen Ken Sharkey
Marty Crawford Frank Heiligenstein

Members Excused:

Rick Vernier

Staff Present:

Terry Beach, Director
Dorothy Carlisle, Executive Assistant

Others Present:

Fred Boch, County Board member
John West, County Board member
Charles Lee, Public Building Commission member

Call to Order:

Committee Chairman Sharkey called the Committee to order at 6:00 p.m.

Public Comment Regarding the Agenda:

Mr. Sharkey asked if anyone present had a question or comment regarding the agenda. There were none.

Approval of the July 16, 2015 Committee minutes:

Mr. Sharkey called for action on the July 16 2015 Committee minutes. Mr. Dinges made the motion to approve the July 16, 2015 minutes which was seconded by Mr. Allen. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business (Director's Report, information only):

Mr. Sharkey asked the Director to give his report. Mr. Beach gave an update regarding the business loan portfolio and discussed several new leads/prospects.

Mr. Beach also updated the Committee on NGA matters, including their Small Business Industry Day planned for September 1st in O'Fallon, the Draft EIS release date of October 8th, and the Draft EIS Public Meeting set for October 28th in O'Fallon. He mentioned that he arranged for this information to be placed on the County's website and on social media. He also gave an update on social media numbers, and that an additional enterprise zone fee check in the amount of \$2,900 was received for a project in Sauget.

He also discussed the meetings he and staff attended (or coordinated) in the prior 30 days: Mid-America Workforce Investment Board, Scott AFB Task Force, Belle-Scott Committee, Regional Port Working Group, and Belleville Chamber of Commerce Board meeting.

New Business (Airport Director's Report, *information only*)

Mr. Cantwell was not able to attend.

New Business continued:

Mr. Beach announced the Resolution approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County and the City of Fairview Heights to reimburse surplus TIF funds back to the County needed to be withdrawn pending legal review by the States Attorney's Office.

He then discussed the Resolution approving and authorizing an application to the Economic Development Administration (EDA) of the U.S. Department of Commerce for the River Bridge District phase 1 project. After a discussion, Mr. Allen made the motion to approve which was seconded by Mr. Dinges. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

There was no Old Business.

Additional comments or questions from the Committee or the Public

There were none.

With no other information to discuss Mr. Sharkey asked for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Heiligenstein made the motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Mr. Dinges. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.