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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2015

Members Present:

Jerry Dinges Robert Trentman
Bob Allen Ken Sharkey
Marty Crawford

Members Excused:

Rick Vernier Frank Heiligenstein

Staff Present:

Terry Beach, Director
Dorothy Carlisle, Executive Assistant

Others Present:

Fred Boch, County Board member
Charles Lee, Public Building Commission member
Ed Miller, citizen

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 August 20, 2015 Committee minutes:

Mr. Sharkey called for action on the August 20, 2015 Committee minutes. Mr. Dinges made the motion to approve the August 20, 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 several new leads/prospects.

Mr. Beach mentioned that an additional enterprise zone fee check in the amount of \$847.50 was received for another project in Sauget. He stated that year to date fees collected by the Department for Enterprise Zone sales tax exemption certificates was \$66,634.42.

Mr. Beach also informed the Committee he was working on a HUD Section 108 Loan Pool application and would be bringing a Resolution to the October Committee meeting. He described the purpose of the 108 Program.

He also discussed the meetings he and staff attended (or coordinated) in the prior 30 days: additional P-4 Community Partnerships meetings at Scott AFB; IDOT Route 3 Connector public hearing with Chairman Kern in East St. Louis; Economic Development Committee of the O'Fallon-Shiloh Chamber of Commerce; Board meeting of the Greater Belleville Chamber of Commerce; and he gave an hour long presentation to the Smithton Chamber of Commerce.

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

Mr. Cantwell was not able to attend.

New Business continued:

Mr. Beach then discussed an amended 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. He stated that EDA had requested changes to the prior approved version. After a discussion, Mr. Allen made the motion to approve which was seconded by Mr. Dinges. The motion passed unanimously.

Finally, Mr. Beach mentioned that the Department was 10 years old this month having been created as a separate County department on September, 2005 by County Board Chairman Kern with the consent of the County Board.

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. Crawford made the motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Mr. Allen. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.