

Economic Development Advisory Board Meeting

February 10, 2021

Present: Dustin Springer, Tyson Wisinger, Mildred Hadley, Mike Gower, Alex Biem, Taylor Redinger, Morris Engle, Rhonda Keesee, Lance Munyon, and Stacie Ricker (via Zoom).

Absent: Caleb Breon, Jayne Holle, Max Dibble, Gene Bugbee, and Angie Wells.

Lance Munyon stated the City Council eliminated the Community Development Director position at the February 1st meeting.

Munyon said Jayne Holle resigned from EDAB and Tyson Wisinger will be taking the healthcare representative position. Taylor Redinger and Dustin Springer renewed their 3-year terms. Alex Biem will be taking Wisinger's place as the millennial board member. Munyon presented an American flag to Alex Biem and welcomed him to the board. Biem was approved last Council meeting for the millennial position.

Moved by Hadley, seconded by Engle to approve December 9, 2020 minutes with the correction of moving Mildred Hadley and Mike Gower from the absent list to the attendance list. Voting Aye: All. Opposed: None.

Munyon said there were no responses to Wells' email that was sent to all the businesses about succession planning. Munyon said Breon talked to FHSU sources and they do not have a definitive answer on holding the succession planning meeting.

Dustin Springer said the Park and Recreation Advisory Board charter is done and was sent to Munyon. Munyon said this year would be a great time to vote on a Recreation Commission since it is an off year for elections. If approved, it would receive 1 mill of tax funding. If it doesn't pass, a board is still needed to work on the Vision 2030 projects. Discussion was held about putting together members for the Advisory Board.

Lance said there is a Recreation Trails meeting on February 24th to present information about the 80 percent refundable grant. Tim Driggs will be helping with the cost breakdown.

Munyon said Wells was working on pricing for fencing and need to determine how many pickets would be needed to go around the splash pad.

Discussion was held regarding a fund-raising raffle.

Discussion was held regarding the Airport Extension Project and the public meetings that were held yesterday.

Munyon reported on the status of projects from the Community Development Director.

- Waiting on responses for estimates for splash pads.
- Waiting for a response from a company that engraves slats for fundraisers.
- Recreation Trails Grant.
- The Christmas is Sharing Program was approved for approximately \$2000 through the CDBG-CV Grant.

- City was Audited by CDBG and needs to spend the rest of the \$7000 CDBG-CV Food Programs Grant.

Engle reported there have been small donations to the foundation totaling \$850 with \$250 for any Vision 2030 project and specifically \$100 for the walking trail.

Munyon stated the telethon is scheduled for Memorial Day weekend and needs of a lot of volunteers in order to make it possible.

Discussion was held on ideas to get younger people involved in the community, volunteering for projects and to move to the area.

Morris said he and Breon have been working on ways to use the E-Center and Tech Space among other spaces for options for remote training programs and to help people get started working from home.

Discussion was held about local restaurants that are for sale and in general how restaurants and food delivery services are doing.

Morris reported there will be a Strategic Doing Public Meeting on February 22nd at 6:30pm at the Fischer Building. Work groups will talk about certain project or issue and how to address it.

Wisinger reported the hospital building project planning options were investigated and the most feasible plan was to build on a new site. They are working on the details of the plan and financially they will be able to move forward on the project without tax funding.

Moved by Munyon, seconded by Beim to adjourn. Voting Aye: All. Opposed: None.