

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Sauk County West Square Building, Room B30

Baraboo, Wisconsin

Monday, August 29, 2011

Members present: Marty Krueger, Peter Murray, Dave Riek, Don Stevens, Joel Gaalswyk, Gerald Lehman, Kathy Zowin

Members absent: none

Others present: Kathy Schauf, Cheryl Giese, David Landsverk, Steve Ziball

The meeting was called to order and certification of Open Meeting compliance was given at 6:30 p.m. **The agenda was approved on a motion by Stevens, second by Murray. Motion carried.**

The minutes from prior meetings were approved on a motion by Stevens, second by Riek. Motion carried.

Public Comment

None

Business Items

Outside agency budgets:

Pink Lady Rail Transit Commission – request is amended to \$0, as funds are remaining from prior year.

Baraboo-Dells Airport – Cheryl Giese presented on behalf of the airport and highlighted changes and advancements made at the airport. Land use zoning overlay is a project that is underway. Total request is for \$4,100.

Reedsburg Airport – Steve Ziball presented. Total request is for \$4,100.

Sauk Prairie Airport – David Landsverk presented. Total request is for \$4,100.

Wisconsin River Rail Transit – Joel Gaalswyk presented the request for WRTC. Total request is for \$26,520. Krueger shared an update from Frank Huntington regarding the status of negotiations between UP and WSOR for acquisition of the line. The process is underway.

Tri-County Airport Budget. Marc Higgs presented the Tri-County airport budget on 8/25/11. Total request is for \$15,665, a reduction over the prior year.

Sauk County Development Corporation Budget. Dalhoff presented the budget on 8/25/11 and highlighted the changes over the last year. Total request is for \$67,528, a zero percent change budget.

Motion by Murray, second by Lehman, to forward the budget requests to Finance as requested. Motion carried.

Trails Subcommittee report and consideration of funding:

Gaalswyk updated the committee on subcommittee work. Discussion ensued regarding budgeting funds for potential trail development. Consensus was that it was premature to budget for funds for trail development. They wholly support the trail and its further development.

Review of 08/25/11 Community Forest discussion:

Potential alternatives were added to the policy grid for discussion purposes as input from stakeholders was reviewed.

Next regular meeting: Thursday, September 22, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. 1. County forest program – what it does, flexibility, pros and cons. 2. Updates by the Trail Sub-Committee.

Motion by Murray, second by Stevens, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Stevens

Economic Development Committee Secretary