

# ***Economic Development Advisory Board Meeting Minutes***

September 1, 2020

## **I. Call to order**

Chair Chuck Goad called to order the regular meeting of the Economic Development Advisory Board at 3:30 PM on September 1, 2020 at Memorial Hall.

## **II. Roll call**

The following members were present:

Chair Chuck Goad (5-0)  
Vice-Chair Wayne Stephany (5-0)  
Secretary Tony Royse (5-0)  
Lori Kelley (5-0)  
Jason Curtis (5-0)  
Paul Yaroslaski (3-2)  
Trisha Purdon (Ex-Officio)  
Lisa Wilson (Ex-Officio)

The following members were absent:

Jim Correll (2-3)  
Tabatha Snodgrass (Ex-Officio)

The following staff were present:

Assistant City Manager Kelly Passauer (by phone)  
Finance Director Lacey Lies  
Housing Authority Director April Nutt

The following visitors were present:

None

## **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

*A motion was made by Tony Royse to approve the minutes from the June 2, 2020 meeting, which was seconded by Wayne Stephany. The motion passed unanimously.*

#### **IV. Items Requiring Action**

- a) Consider a request from Labette Health for funds to expand the Independence Healthcare Center. Tabled.
  - (1) A sub-committee of Tony Royse, Chuck Goad and Wayne Stephany was appointed to discuss this request and make a recommendation to the City Commission.
- b) Consider a request from Company “X” for an incentive to establish a new facility in Independence. Tabled.

#### **V. Items for Discussion**

- a) Consider a request from the Housing Authority to discuss the creation of a land bank.
  - (1) April Nutt, Executive Director of the Independence Housing Authority, presented on the usages of “Land Banks” and the desire for the Independence City Commission to establish an Independence Land Bank. The Independence Housing Authority requested support from the Economic Development Advisory Board.  
  
*A motion was made by Tony Royse to support the establishment of an Independence Land Bank, which was seconded by Paul Yaroslaski. The motion passed unanimously.*
- b) Open issue/summary of discussion

#### **VI. Reports**

#### **VII. Adjournment**

*A motion was made by Tony Royse, seconded by Jason Curtis. Motion carried.*

Minutes approved by:

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Chuck Goad, Chair

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Tony Royse, Secretary