

Jim Jesse, Chairman
Al Dimon, Vice Chair
Linda Wayne, Treasurer
Al Dimon, Secretary

Mike Ascione, Director
Truman Bicum, Director
David Ritter, Director
Alan McCullen, Director
Sherri Jones, Director

The Economic Development Corporation of the County of Kalkaska BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA EXPLANATION

DATE: November 30, 2011
TO: Board of Directors
FROM: Jim Jesse, Chairman
SUBJECT: Explanation of Agenda Items for November 1, 2011 Board Meeting

CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

PUBLIC INPUT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Minutes dated October 4, 2011. *Materials submitted for inclusion with the minutes are on file with the recording secretary and County Clerk. Attachments will be provided upon request.*

TREASURER'S REPORT & APPROVAL OF BILLS – Linda Wayne

- *Treasurer's Report for October 2011*

COMMITTEE REPORTS

*Consortium Committee – Al Dimon
Executive Committee – Jim Jesse
Funding Committee – Mike Ascione
Loan Committee – Linda Wayne
Personnel Committee – Al Dimon*

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Letter of Support DDA Block Consolidation Project

ADJOURN

**MINUTES OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
OF THE COUNTY OF KALKASKA – BOARD OF DIRECTORS
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2011– 9:00 A.M.
KALKASKA COUNTY GOVERNMENT CENTER
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CHAMBERS**

ATTENDANCE

<u>Directors Present</u>	<u>Directors Absent</u>	<u>TBEDC Staff</u>	<u>Student Ex-Officio</u>	<u>Public Present</u>
Jim Jesse	Mike Ascione	<u>Present</u>		Mary Manner
Truman Bicum	Lon Husbands	Phil Franzo	Roger Barber	Mary Jo Fiferek
Al Dimon	Al McCullen			
Linda Wayne				
David Ritter				

CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order at 9:55 a.m. by Chairman Jim Jesse. Roll was called. All directors were present with the exception of Mike Ascione, Lon Husbands and Al McCullen. Roger Barber acting as Student Ex-Officio and Mary Manner and Mary Jo Fiferek were present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Jesse requested a motion for the approval of the agenda. Al Dimon made the motion to approve the agenda with the additional agenda item, supported by Truman Bicum. All yeas, motion carried.

PUBLIC INPUT

Chairman Jesse asked if there was anyone wishing to comment under Public Input. Mary Manner and Mary Jo Fiferek presented an update to the Board on the Great Start Collaborative and the importance of early childhood education on economic development. The presenters asked that the board members thank their legislators and let them know early childhood is important.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Jesse asked if all Board members reviewed the July 12, 2011 meeting minutes. Commissioner Ritter requested a change in minutes under the Current Status of Chamber Building, supported by Linda Wayne. Truman Bicum made the motion to approve the minutes from July 12, 2011 as amended. The motion was supported by Al Dimon. All yeas, motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT AND APPROVAL OF BILLS

Linda Wayne presented the Treasurer's report from June 30 – Sept. 30, 2011.

Chairman Jesse discussed the movement of funds from NW Bank into other savings due to cost of the current accounts. Chairman Jesse clarified the \$25,000 held in the Huntington Bank account is a part of the USDA RLF grant and is a loan account rather than a savings account.

Linda Wayne mad a motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented. The motion was

supported by Lon Husbands. Roll call vote was taken: Linda Wayne-yes; Al Dimon-yes; Truman Bicum-yes; David Ritter-yes; Jim Jesse-yes. All yeas, motion carried.

Linda also made a request that the Board approve the 3rd Quarter payment to the Traverse Bay EDC in the amount of \$1,000. Roll call vote was taken: Linda Wayne-yes; Al Dimon-yes; Truman Bicum-yes; David Ritter-yes; Jim Jesse-yes. All yeas, motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Consortium Committee – Al Dimon: Al Dimon reported that the gym construction is progressing smoothly and that the auditorium addition which was hoping to be opened in March may open earlier. Count Day is October 5th, hoping to have 20 – 30 more students in attendance than last year. Jim Rowl, the former Fire Chief has moved to Pennsylvania, Derrick Hogeride will be the new Fire Chief.

Executive Committee – Jim Jesse: Chairman Jesse will call a meeting of the Executive Committee prior to the Holiday Season and prior to hunting season.

Funding Committee – No Report; In-Active.

Loan Committee – Linda Wayne: Chairman Jesse requested that the loan committee approach loans from the retail side.

Personnel Committee – Al Dimon: Al Dimon presented Roger Barber a senior at Kalkaska High School and President of the National Honors Society who is hopeful to be appointed as student Ex Officio.

The motion to recommend Roger Barber to be appointed by the Board of Commissioners as Student Ex Officio was made by Al Dimon with support from Truman Bicum. All yeas, motion passed.

Motion made by Linda Wayne and supported by Truman Bicum to regretfully accept Lon Husbands' resignation. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Current Status of Chamber Building:

Chairman Jesse reported that the Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce will retain the building. Discussion on Sept. 18 between DDA, KC EDC, Chamber, Village and TIF Committee. Chairman Jesse discussed the points of the environmental study, tax exempt status, and release from deed.

Commercial Development:

Chairman Jesse presented the findings of a report conducted through the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments stating that millions of dollars are being generated by home businesses according to DBA reporting. Chairman Jesse asked what types of businesses should be targeted and what their needs are, whether short-term monthly leases are needed. Further discussion

included the importance of farmer's markets.

NEW BUSINESS

OTHER BUSINESS /ANNOUNCEMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Al Dimon made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was supported by Linda Wayne. The meeting adjourned at 11:16 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Phil Franzo

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