



## Jefferson County Economic Development Consortium BOARD MINUTES

December 9, 2015

### Meeting called to order at 8:30 am.

**Board members present:** Supervisors Jim Mode, Augie Tietz, Glen Borland; Mo Hansen – City of Waterloo; Patrick Cannon – City of Whitewater; John David – City of Watertown; Steve Wilke – City of Lake Mills; Matt Trebatoski-City of Fort Atkinson; Tim Freitag – City of Jefferson;

**Others Present:** Ben Wehmeier-County Administrator, Agriculture Agent LaVern Georgson, Jennifer Bakke – MATC, Thomas Harrigan-Whitewater CDA, Paul Jadin-MadRep, Executive Director Genevieve Coady, and Program Specialist RoxAnne Witte, Ali Kualheim – JCEDC Intern.

### Roll Call – Quorum Established

R. Witte certified compliance for the agenda dated 12/9/2015.

### Approval of December 2015 Agenda

Mode/Trebatoski moved to amend agenda to take up discussion on Special Orders A and B after Citizens Comments. Motion Carried.

### Minutes

Tietz/Wilke moved to approved October 2015 minutes as presented. Motion Carried

### Citizen Comments

None.

### Special Orders –

#### A. Discussion on Moving Towards a New JCEDC Organization Model.

Presentation and discussion on the challenges and opportunities of developing a 501c3 or a 501c6/4 Organization Model for JCEDC to better suite engagement of the privacy sector administratively and financially. Freitag/Wilke moved to work with von Briesen & Roper, S.C. to on the development of a 501c3 Organization Model for JCEDC. Motion Carried.

#### B. Authorization of a Capital Campaign Feasibility Study Request for Proposals.

Hansen/Cannon moved to approve JCEDC staff to move forward with the Request for Proposals for a Capital Campaign Feasibility Study for JCEDC, Funds for the study to come from the \$25,000 allocated to JCEDC by Jefferson County. Cost of the study not to exceed \$23,000 with the balance of the funds to be used for marketing Jefferson County. Motion Carried.

### JCEDC Reports

Tietz/Wilke moved to approve JCEDC October 31, 2015 and November 30, 2015 Finance Report as presented, Motion Carried.

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## **General Orders –**

### **A. Directors Report**

1. G. Borich highlighted several activities that staff have been working on from the Directors Report submitted to the board.
2. Tyson Update – Discussion was held on the potential loss of more than 1,000 jobs due to Tyson closing plants in Wisconsin and Illinois. Ongoing meetings are being held with area businesses and the state to address this issue.

### **B. Homebuyer Counseling Report**

1. R. Witte distributed an updated report on the Home Buyer program through December 9, 2015.

## **Citizens Comments**

None

## **New Business**

### **A. Future Agenda Items**

1. Possible presentation by Pat Schramm – February/March

### **B. Upcoming Meetings/Seminars –**

1. JCEDC Board of Directors Meeting, January 28, 2016, 8:30 am, 864 Collins Road, Room 8, Jefferson, WI

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business for consideration, motion by Cannon/Trebatoski to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 am

Respectfully submitted,

RoxAnne Witte, Recording Secretary