

**Jefferson County Economic Development
Consortium
Board of Directors Meeting
February 13, 2008**



Meeting called to order at 8:40 a.m.

Board members present:, Supervisors - Greg David, Gail MacAskill, and Randy Mitchell, Paul Moderacki - Johnson Creek, Augie Tietz, Mayor Ron Krueger - Watertown, Bill Dovi – Waterloo, John Wilmet – Fort Atkinson, , Mary Nimm – Whitewater, Professor Steve Grabow- UW Extension, Catherine Kleiber, JCEDC Executive Director Dennis Heling, Administrative Assistant RoxAnne Witte,
Absent - Tim Freitag – Jefferson, Steve Wilke – Lake Mills

Minutes

Motion by Wilmet/Dovi to approve January 9, 2008 minutes as submitted. Motion carried.

Tourism

Jefferson County Official Guide – G. MacAskill gave a presentation to the Board on the 32 page Jefferson County Assets, Opportunities and Image Project that will be inserted into this years visitors guide.

CDBG-ED Project – Metalcraft, Ixonia

Motion by Mitchell/Tietz to support the establishment and administration of a CDBG-ED Loan Program for Metalcraft, Inc, which is estimated not to exceed \$150,000.00.

Executive Directors Report

1. Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission – D. Heling gave an update on meetings he has had regarding funding this membership.
2. JCEDC County Board Representation – D. Heling informed the board that the county board has laid over the decision until March on what the make up of the three representatives to our board of directors will be.

Finance Report

Motion by Mitchell/David to accept the January 2008 Financial Report as submitted. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

Comprehensive Plan

Professor Grabow and D. Heling updated the board on the focus group meetings that have been held. All focus group meetings should be completed in the next few weeks. The data from these meetings will be forward to the steering committee.

Sustainable Development

1. Neighborhood Electric Vehicles - Discussion was held on the concerns that the sheriffs department is having with these type vehicles.

2. Bike Plan – Discussion was held on concern of the committee of not being able to raise the required amount of funds needed to receive the matching funds from the county.
3. Sustainable Economic Conference- It was the consensus of the board that if the conference could be worked into his schedule, the board would pay the expenses for D. Heling to attend the conference.
4. Charter School – G. David updated the board on the upcoming public meeting to be held on February 13th on developing a Charter School.

Highway 26 Corridor

1. Highway 26 Bypass Meeting February 28, 2008, 6:30 p.m. in Watertown.
2. Watertown's Mayor, Ron Krueger, updated the board on Archie Monuments relocation.

Future Agenda Items

County Board Representation on JCEDC Board

Upcoming Meetings

JCEDC Board of Directors – April 11, 2008 – 8:30 am

There being no further business for consideration, motion by Wilmet/Tietz to adjourn.
Meeting adjourned 10:33 pm

Respectfully submitted,

RoxAnne Witte
Recording Secretary