Lanesboro Economic Development Authority Regular Meeting

Thursday, October 7, 2021 10:30 a.m.Via Zoom and In Person Council Chambers

Present: Phil Dybing, Elaine Edwards, Joe Goetzke, and Cathy Enerson

Absent: None

Visitors: Andrezj Zalinski, Sarah Peterson, Michael Seilor, Michael Peterson and Darla Taylor

- 1. **Call To Order**: Member Edwards called the Regular Meeting of the Lanesboro Economic Development Authority to order at 10:31 a.m.
- 2. **Agenda:** Member Dybing motioned to approve the agenda with the additions of Chamber Fund Request and Co-op Opportunity to Other Business. Member Goetzke seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor.
- 3. Welcome Guests: None
- 4. Approval of the Consent Agenda:
 - A. EDA Minutes September 2, 2021
 - B. September Financial Report

Member Goetzke motioned to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. Member Dybing seconded the motion. Motion carried all in favor.

5. City Business:

- A. Council Reps/City Administrator/Planning and Zoning: 2022 Road Improvement Project is moving forward with trying to minimize costs, added parking by the school, and 20% assessment consensus. EMS swap of properties was approved to move EMS services out of the downtown location. Cyber Security was discussed. Lanesboro Ambulance has transitioned to Preston EMS Services as of October 1st. Planning and Zoning plans to revisit the food truck discussion.
- B. **Chamber Report:** The membership drive for 2022 is beginning. It was noted that Welcome Week activities were a success. The events guide and stay safe information will be reviewed and updated.
- C. **School Board:** A critical need for bus drivers was shared. There have been a few positive cases of covid, but overall things are going well.

6. Revolving Loan:

- A. Client Fees: Motion to table by Member Goetzke and seconded by Member Dybing. Motion Carried.
- B. USDA Funding: Cathy will be requesting 75% of funding as she works with the new representative moving forward.
- C. New Loans: None

7. Old Business:

- A. SMIF Grant: Cathy is working on amending the report, and will reach out to the two businesses for stay safe applications. We are also waiting for an invoice from the Chamber for the Facebook advertising.
- B. LACF Application: The application was submitted and Cathy suggested someone attend the meeting to answer questions.

8. New Business:

- A. Workforce Housing Grant Program: A motion was made to bring to city council the request of support for the Workforce Housing Grant for the development of 6 apartments with the need of tax abatement and a resolution of support.
- B. LEAN: Meeting date moved to November 15th.
- C. MHP: October 19 will be the final presentation from the group. Phil Dybing will present to city council on November 1st.
- 9. **Director's Report**: The printed report was included in the packet materials. Cathy highlighted the Build Back Better Federal EDA grant naming Fillmore County as one of 5 counties to be included.

10. Other:

- A. Chamber Fund Request: The request was made to match the Dairyland Co-op Grant to publish the Business Directory in the Visitor's Guide. A motion to approve \$800 support of visitors guide to the Chamber was made by Member Edwards and seconded by Member Dybing. Member Goetzke abstained. Motion carried.
- B. Co-Op Opportunity: Cathy introduced the opportunity to create a culinary school and sto start up a cooperative and asked if a committee should be formed. The idea will be referred to the LEAN Committee.
- 11. **Adjourn:** Member Dybing moved to adjourn at 12:04 p.m. Motion seconded by Member Goetzke. Motion carried all in favor.

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darla Taylor Deputy Clerk