

Economic, Tourism & Resource Committee
November 12, 2014

The Economic, Tourism & Resource Committee met on Wednesday, November 12, 2014 before the County Board of Supervisors meeting in Room 226, in the Administration Building in Lancaster, WI.

Committee members present: John Beinborn, Robert Scallon, Grant Loy, Dan Timmerman and Carol Beals. Ron Brisbois presented the Revolving Loan Applications. Other members present were Robert Keeney, County Board Chair, Vern Lewison.

Linda K. Gebhard, County Clerk, verified that the meeting was posted properly (Administrative Building, Courthouse, and the County's website).

Agenda: Motion made by Carol Beals to approve the agenda as posted, seconded by Dan Timmerman. Motion carried.

Revolving Loan Applications: Ron Brisbois, Economic Development presented the following Revolving Loan application for the committee's recommendation:

Gile Chiropractic & Wellness Clinic. Loan amount \$20,000 at a rate of 2.5% for ten years. Two full time jobs will be created. Collateral will be mortgage lien on the building. They will use the Revolving Loan to acquire a building located in Hazel Green and towards equipment to open their practice. They have been displaced by a fire for the last three years. The total Project cost for Gile Chiropractic will be \$200,000.

Dan Timmerman, seconded by Carol Beals made a motion to send the Revolving Loan application for Gile Chiropractic & Wellness Clinic to the full county board recommending passage of the loan. Motion carried.

Confirm the designation of three Representatives from the Economic Tourism Resource Committee to serve on the Grant County Economic Corporation: Ron Brisbois stated that Economic Development Corporation Executive Committee needs some clarification as they are updating their By-Laws for the designation of voting members for Grant County at their annual meetings.

After discussion, Carol Beals made a motion seconded by Dan Timmerman, stating that the voting members to represent the county at the Economic Development Corporation Executive committee meetings will be the County Board Chair, the Chair and Vice Chair of the Economic, Tourism and Resource committee using the Secretary of the committee as an alternate voter. Motion carried.

Discuss Rules of the Grant County Board Supervisors Article 3, Section D; A County Board Supervisor can be a Chairperson of the same committee for a maximum of two consecutive terms. After discussion, John Beinborn resigned his position as Chair of the Economic, Tourism, & Resource committee because the By-Laws for the County Board state that a board member can only serve as a chair of a committee at a maximum of a two consecutive terms, this would be John's third term serving as chair of the committee.

The committee appointed Carol Beals as the new chair for the committee. As the new Chair, Carol Beals asked for nominations to fill the vacant Vice Chair position.

Robert Scallon nominated John Beinborn to serve as Vice Chair. Dan Timmerman, seconded by Robert Scallon made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot to elect John Beinborn to the position of Vice Chair of the Economic, Tourism and Resource committee. Motion carried.

Old Business: Robert Scallon submitted to the committee a letter that had been sent to the Mayor of the City of Boscobel regarding the Boscobel Boat Landing. The committee made the determination to send the letter on to the Public Property/Technology Committee to take any necessary action on this issue.

New Business: The committee asked Todd Johnson how they would move forward in regard to the Grant Program after Todd leaves the county to take a new position. The position possibly could not be filled for a few months. Todd stated that they can continue to work with Lori Vesperman at the Extension Office. She has the authority to have the checks cut when the committee would award a participant in the grant program. She will have all the financial information as to what funds are available.

It was decided that on December 3, 2014 Carol Beals and John Beinborn will meet with Todd Johnson so he can explain the process in sending out the grant applications and time lines on deadlines. On December 5th there will be a committee meeting called for the full committee to set up guide lines and discuss the continuing process for the grant program to continue for 2015. Todd Johnson stated that the committee could possible delay the awarding process into February, at that time possibly there would be an agent in place to assist in this process.

Adjournment pursuant to the call of the Chair: Robert Scallon seconded by Dan Timmerman, made a motion to adjourn the meeting pursuant to the next meeting on Friday, December 5th at 9:00 a.m. Motion carried.