



COUNTY OF OSCODA

Economic Development Corporation & Brownfield Board
Courthouse Annex, 105 S. Court St,
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Wednesday, April 11, 2018 - **EDC Meeting Official Minutes**

5:00 PM – Mio Courthouse Annex

Call to Order, invocation of the flag and roll call: 5:03 pm

Members present: AJ Welser (2022), Pat Kelly (2021), Anthony Kachiros (2019), Jennifer Cronkright (2020), Duanne Roddy (2018), Kyle Yoder (2017), Dawn Harwood (2017), Nancy deGuzman (2017), Ashton Evans (2017), Jon Satkowiak (2017)

Liaison Present: LaNita Olsen

Contract Manager of NICE present: Director - Cy Wakeley & Assistant Contract Manager - Jessica Wakeley

Members of the Public Present: James Schick, Eric Socia, & Rebecca Socia

Guests: N/A

#008-2018 – Jenny/Pat: Motion to Approve Agenda

Motion Carries – All-in-favor

#009-2018 – Jenny/Pat: Motion to approve March 14, 2018 Un-Official Minutes

Motion Carries – All-in-favor

Liaison's Report:

LaNita Olsen discussed a recent request for the Oscoda County Board of Commissioners (BOC) to reconsider the building plans for the new Courthouse project to include not only county offices, but also the court offices currently housed in the Annex Building. However, the BOC plans to continue with the building project as planned unless a reasonable effort is shown to stop the current agreement.

LaNita also discussed recent controversy about the permit Merit Energy has applied for to dispose of waste brines from fracking. However, Merit Energy has since reported the well is slated to receive abandoned status and will eventually be capped off and not for disposal. LaNita

went on to discuss there are many wells in Oscoda County which are used for this purpose. She is requesting a report which identifies all wells owned by Merit Energy or other companies and their status for public inquiries.

Eric and Rebecca Socia presented their business plan for the Daily Grind. Eric and Rebecca's plan to open sit-down coffee shop serving coffee, specialty coffees, espresso, latte, tea, fresh-made smoothies, home-made soups, donuts, and muffins for health conscious on-the-go consumers. They are requesting a loan from the Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) in the amount of \$11,100 to purchase new equipment. In addition, to presenting a full-business plan they presented pertinent financial information. The EDC Board directors agreed the pair has sufficient collateral to issue a loan from the RLF; however, questions the fact the couple has little operating capital to get the business up and running. Therefore, the board requests both Eric Socia and Rebecca Socia sign personal agreements to repay the RLF loan despite the performance of the business.

#010-2018 – Jenny/Jon: Motion to approve the RLF request in the amount of \$11,100 @ 4.75% interest for 120 months with special conditions met.

Roll call vote- Pat – Yea, Jenny – Yea, Anthony – Yea, AJ – Yea, Jon – Yea, Kyle – Yea, Dawn – Yea, Misty (Nancy) – Yea, Ashton – Yea, Duanne – Yea

Old Business:

Cy & Jessica Wakely presented the monthly Revolving Loan Fund (RLF) Report for March. Average monthly income is approximately \$2,600.00 monthly. The EDC Board directors questioned some loans. Cy & Jessica discussed, some loans have been deemed uncollectable and removed from the books. However, one loan remains: #102115I1 in which no payment or attempt to pay has been made by the borrower. In addition, Cy & Jessica plan to review any other loans and issue letters upon which action may be taken to recover funds owed on delinquent RLF loans.

#011-2018 – AJ makes a motion to notify the Internal Revenue Service about loan number #102115I1 to be reported it as unearned income by the borrower and to approve the RLF Report for March.

Motion carries: All-in-favor

Review By-Laws; the EDC Board requests the approval of the BOC to approve the following changes to the EDC Boards By-Laws: **Article I (Purpose)** – Addition of the EDC Board's Mission Statement as described in Article II of the EDC Board's Article of Incorporation; **Article III: Section 3 (Number, Tenure, & Qualifications)** – Under terms limits: all remaining terms will be for one year; **Article III: Section 6 (Conflict of Interest)** – Addition of a final paragraph pursuant to Act 338- 125.1604(7) "The interested director shall further refrain from participation in Corporation proceedings regarding the matter"; **Article III:**

Section 10 (Special Meetings) – Change the requirement of two days written notice to 72 hours prior to any Special Meeting per EDC Article of Incorporation XII; **Article V: Section 2 (Loans)** – Change “Board of Directors” to Board of Commissioners

Jenny/Duanne: Motion to request BOC approval to accept changes to EDC By-Laws dated 09/20/2017 and update the date in the By-Laws upon approval.

Motion Carries: All-in-favor

New Business:

N/A

Correspondence:

Cy met with Northeast Michigan Council of Governments (NEMCOG) to discuss how the EDC Board can pursue going beyond just issuing loans. Such as, applying for grants, community improvement, and ways to draw in new businesses and visitors.

#012-2018 - Pat/Anthony: Motion to adjourn EDC Meeting at 7:03 pm

Motion Carries: All-in-favor EDC Meeting Adjourned

Move into Brownfield Board meeting:

Duanne followed LaNita’s Liaison’s Report and stated he had the information pertaining to all active, non-active, and abandoned wells as well as their status in Oscoda County. He intends to supply the EDC Board with these documents at the May 9, 2018 EDC Board meeting.

#013-2018 - Pat/Jon: Motion to adjourn Brownfield Meeting at pm.

Motion carries: All-in-favor

Next EDC Board Meeting will be Wednesday May 9, 2018 at 5:00 pm