

Egan called to order the meeting of the Economic Development Committee at 9:00 a.m., on September 4, 2009 in conference room #2, at the Vilas County Courthouse, Eagle River, Wisconsin.

Present: The following persons were present: County Board members Bob Egan, Ralph Sitzberger, Emil Bakka, Charles Rayala, Jim Behling, & others Kelly Haverkamp, Matt Schreiber, & Rosemary Leveille
Media present:
The following County Board members were excused:
The following County Board members were absent:

Agenda item # 2: Introductions – Introductions were not necessary at this meeting.

Approve Agenda: Motion by Rayala, second by Sitzberger to approve the agenda to be handled in any order at the discretion of the Chair. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Approve Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of August 3, 2009 by Sitzberger, second by Rayala. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Agenda item #5: Resolution to Form an Economic Development Department – The need to develop an Economic Development Department will not be necessary. A resolution (on file in the UWEX office) to establish a 2010 Seed Fund for the Vilas County Economic Development Corporation was presented to the committee instead. **Motion to forward the resolution to the full county board in September was made by Rayala, second by Bakka. Motion carried by unanimous vote.**

Agenda item #6: Economic Development Reports and Updates – a) Committee strategies for 2009 - Haverkamp distributed a written report (on file in the UWEX office). a-i.) Vilas County Economic Development Corporation - Haverkamp stated that the letters have been sent to the 5 entities, as stated in the by-laws, for their appointment of board members. The criteria of the at-large members was discussed and decided that an ad will be placed in the local papers asking for a letter of introduction and a resume from those interested individuals wishing to serve on the board by Oct. 2, 2009. **Motion by Rayala, second by Sitzberger for Haverkamp to place the ads in the Lakeland Times and the Vilas County News Review for two weeks. Motion carried by unanimous vote.** A draft copy of the position description (on file in the UWEX office) was given to the committee for their review. b) Grow North – Egan explained the broadband stimulus application process and stated that an application was submitted through One Prospect (a Rhinelander Corporation) on behalf of a consortium made up of the 5 counties from Grow North and the Tribes in those counties. c) Schreiber stated that he and D. Lawrence from NCWRPC will be attending a Northwest regional planning meeting on starting and setting up an economic incubator in the North Central area.

Agenda item #7: - Budget/Approval of Bills – Leveille provided an updated budget and presented the following vouchers: Kathleen Haverkamp-\$204.70; and Wisconsin Economic Development Association-\$550.00. **A motion by Rayala, second by Behling to approve the vouchers as presented. Motion carried by unanimous vote.**

Agenda item # 8: Out-of-County Travel – None for this month.

Agenda Item # 9: Correspondence and Communications – An information sheet from Speed Matters and a brochure from The Chamber Wausau Region on Business Innovation 2009 (both on file in the UWEX office) were given to the committee.

Future Meeting Dates/Items: The next regular meeting will be Monday, October 5, 2009, at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment: Motion by Sitzberger, second by Rayala to adjourn at 10:30 a.m. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Minutes reflect the recorder's notations and are subject to approval by the appropriate board or committee.
Submitted by: Rosemary Leveille