

City of Valentine
Economic Development Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 26, 2024

A regular meeting of the City of Valentine Economic Development Board was held on Monday, February 26, 2024 6:00 p.m. at the Valentine Public Library. Notice of the Open Meetings Act was provided as required by law.

Board Vice President Deanne Holmes opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. with the following board members present, Whitney Mayhew and Tyler Brown. Sean Markus and Nadeane Allard were absent.

Motion was made by Whitney Mayhew to approve the January 29, 2024 meeting minutes, the motion was seconded by Tyler Brown. Motion carried unanimously.

Current Economic Development Fund balance was provided. - \$1,250,405.34

Update was provided on the Affordable housing Trust Fund Grant and Edna Street housing project.

Update was provided on the Creative District certification and the CCCFF Grant opportunity that ultimately was not submitted.

Update provided regarding the work of the Theater Exploratory group. The next Theater Exploratory group meeting will be on Thursday, March 14th.

Update provided on the Wayfinding signage project and the Sculpture Walk Across Nebraska.

Discussion held regarding the “It’s Your Life” conference to be held at Valentine High School.

Update provided regarding the work of the Valentine Children and Families Coalition. Retreat date is set for May 30, 2024.

Economic Development support of the billboard on Merritt Dam Road was discussed. We are anticipating a presentation at our March meeting.

Motion was made by Tyler Brown to approve the contract and notice to proceed for the North Edna Street Housing project. Motion was seconded by Whitney Mayhew. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Whitney Mayhew to approve the invoice submitted by CNEDD. Motion was seconded by Tyler Brown. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion was made by Whitney Mayhew to monetarily support the “It’s your Life” conference for the purpose of meeting local needs to retain and attract young people to our community. Tyler Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Board meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Submitted by: Mark J. Hagge, Acting Secretary.

