City of Valentine

Regular Economic Development Meeting

Monday, November 27, 2023 6:00 p.m.

A regular meeting of the City of Valentine Economic Development Board was held on Monday, October 30, 2023 6:00 p.m. at Mid Plains Community College Valentine Campus. Notice of the Open Meetings Act was provided as required by law.

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

Board member Holmes made a motion to approve the October 30, 2023 meeting minutes, Board member Markus seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial report was provided, current economic development fund balance is $1,180,874.72.

Update was provided regarding the status of the Housing Project. The invitation for bids was advertised in the Midland News newspaper, bids will be due on December 8th 11:00 a.m. We will have a special economic development board meeting on December 8th.

Update was provided on the Leadership program.

Update was provided on progress towards becoming a certified creative district. The final step in the process in becoming certified is to submit our 5 year strategic plan. Board members were asked to submit their ideas for the $10,000 certification grant.

Update provided on the formation of a theater exploratory group and plans for a field trip to visit the Grand Theater in Ainsworth and learn about their operating structure.

Update provided regarding Wayfinding signage.

Update provided regarding meeting held with members of the revolving loan fund.

Board member Markus made a motion to approve the Midland News Invoices for the community survey during Holiday Preview, Board member Holmes seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held about the purchasing of a laptop for the economic development director. It was agreed that the director would provide the board some options at the next meeting.

Board meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Submitted by:

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