

## MEETING MINUTES LANGLADE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Monday, April 20, 2015

**Members Present:** Thomas Bauknecht, Andy Merry, Carol Feller-Gottard, Fred Westphal, Brady Koss, Angela Schreiber, Dave Solin

**Members Excused:** Tom Gallenberg, Bill Brandt, Steve Wilder, Warren Wagner

**Others Present:** Angie Close, Keri Beck, Mark Desotell

Meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by President Thomas Bauknecht.

**Minutes of Previous Economic Development Board Meeting:** Motion by Koss, second by Merry, to approve the minutes from March 16, 2015. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Consent Agenda:** Motion by Koss, seconded by Merry to approve the Consent Agenda. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation Professional Service Outreach Presentation by Christine Berry:** Berry presented programs that the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) offers and how they can partner with Langlade County businesses.

Solin arrived at 5:04pm.

**Closed Session:** at 5:07 PM, motion by Koss, second by Feller-Gottard, to move into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin Statute Section 19.85 (1) (e) to review status of RLF loans from Northern Steel. Roll call vote. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Open Session:** At 5:36 PM, motion by Solin, second by Merry to return to open session. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Action 1:** Motion by Koss, to have Northern Steel begin making half interest payments for June 2015 to November 2015 with full payment due in December 2015 and quarterly financial statements through 2016. Motion died for lack of a second.

Discussion was had regarding opening meeting laws and whether a motion needed to state complete action items or if a motion can be stated as discussed in closed session. After reviewing open meeting laws with Langlade County Corporate Counsel, they require that the minutes include a brief description of any actions taken in open session; the motion & second and the outcome of the vote.

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### **Economic Development Corporation:**

- a. **Approve Wood Product Industry Ad-Hoc Committee:** Motion by Koss, second by Merry, to approve that a Wood Products Ad-Hoc Committee be created and formed under the LCEDC with representation from City Council, Langlade County Board, NTC, and Industry Stakeholders. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- b. **Approve Amendment to Revolving Loan Fund Manual:** Motion by Koss, second by Schreiber, to approve to amend the Cost per Job Created amount from \$20,000 to \$35,000 in the Revolving Loan Fund Manual. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- c. **Discuss LCEDC Health Insurance Plan from Security Health:** Close informed the LCEDC Board that due to changes in the Affordable Care Act the Security Health Insurance plan has increased the deductibles to \$2600/\$5200 from the \$2500/\$5000 plan to meet the High Deductible Plan requirements. The employees will pick up the extra cost.
- d. **Update on LCEDC Activities:** Close informed the LCEDC Board that the Suick Family Foundation has agreed with the plans to move forward on the Entrepreneurial Course.

**New Business and set date for next meeting:** Westphal informed the LCEDC Board that WPS will pay for 4 board members to attend a non-profit board development workshop on May 8. Westphal, Close, Schreiber, and one more LCEDC board member will be attending this course. Next meeting date is May 18, 2015.

**Adjourn:** Motion by Koss, second by Westphal to adjourn at 5:46 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Bauknecht, President

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Thomas Bauknecht". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.