

**MEETING MINUTES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
April 7, 2015**

**Members Present:** Fred Westphal, Brady Koss, Carol Feller-Gottard, and Angie Schreiber  
**Excused Absent:** Thomas Bauknecht  
**Others Present:** Angie Close and Keri Beck

Meeting was called to order by Vice President Brady Koss at 4:03 pm.

**Minutes of Previous Economic Development Executive Committee Meeting:** Motion by Westphal, second by Schreiber, to approve the minutes from March 2, 2015. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

**Langlade County Economic Development Corporation:**

- A. **Review and Approve 2014 LCEDC Annual Report:** Close presented the 2014 Annual Report. Discussion was held. Motion by Feller-Gottard, second by Schreiber to recommend to the LCEDC Board to approve the 2014 Annual Report with corrections and additions as discussed. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- B. **Wood Product Industry Initiative:** Close presented information from the Wood Products Initiative meeting that she attended. She will be working with Collin Buntrock, Forest Products Services Specialist from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, to do a needs based analysis of the Wood Industry in Langlade County. Close requested that a Wood Product Ad hoc committee be created and formed under the corporation with representation from City Council, Langlade County Board, NTC, and Industry Stakeholders. Motion by Schreiber, second by Westphal, to recommend to the LCEDC Board to approve the subcommittee under the corporation. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- C. **Update on Entrepreneurial Course Offering:** Close reported that details of the course are being discussed and will bring more information to the next meeting.
- D. **Update on RLF Fund Recipients:** Close and Beck have attended a webinar training on DOA/RLF fund administration and reporting. DOA has changed the limits on money loaned per job created from \$20,000 to \$35,000. Motion by Westphal, second by Feller-Gottard, to recommend to the LCEDC Board to approve changing the LCEDC RLF manual from \$20,000 to \$35,000 for amount financed per job created. All Ayes. Motion Carried.
- E. **Update on Cluster/Site Visits:** Close reported on recent site visit to Northern Steel.

**Old Business:**

- A. **Discover Wisconsin:** Close reported that filming will be beginning this spring for the Discover Wisconsin episode on the Wolf River. They will be filming during all the seasons for the episode.
- B. **Scenic Byway:** Close reported that a revised application is completed and is being reviewed by Wisconsin Department of Transportation. This will be the first figure 8 byway in the country!
- C. **Tourism Shows:** Close reported that she will be attending the Milwaukee Bike Expo this week with Wisconsin Department of Tourism. Beck will be at the Antigo Sport and Home Show. Beck has written an ATV/UTV article to be published in the Badger Sportsman Magazine.

**New Business:** Close reported on a new leadership initiative program that is in the early planning stages. It is a collaboration with leaders and young professionals in Langlade County. Next meeting date is Tuesday, May 5, 2015 at 4:00 pm.

**Adjourn:** Motion by Fred, second by Schreiber to adjourn at 5:15 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Keri Beck, Recording Secretary

*Thomas Bauknecht*