

City of Jordan

Economic Development Authority Commission

June 18, 2002 Minutes

Members present: Chair Joe Benko, Vice Chair Steve Radermacher, Dave Wolf, John Mulcahy, Dale Oldenberg, Scott Schoenike

Members absent:, Barry Ullman, Howard Senske

Staff present: Troy Bonkowske- Economic Development / Planning Director,

Visitors present: None

I. *Call to Order-* Chair Benko called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

II. *Approval of Past Meeting Minutes-*

Member Schoenike made a Motion, Oldenberg second, to approve May 21, 2002 minutes.

III. *Highway 169 Interchange Study Update-*

Member Wolf mentioned that MnDot hasn't done anything new concerning this project. Director Bonkowske agreed and thought the McCombs study should begin soon.

IV. *Development of Jordan Development Plan-*

Director Bonkowske first discussed the creation of a mission statement for the Plan. Mr. Bonkowske had written a draft and he also referenced language Member Mulcahy had written. Several members agreed staff should research mission statements from other cities and report back with their findings.

Member Wolf mentioned that the City of Gaylord and Waconia would be good cities to research for economic development funds. Member Radermacher thought the City should also promote city staff as user-friendly with existing and potential businesses. Member Oldenberg suggested staff contact him about revenues being generated through the City's Chamber of Commerce and the use of pull-tabs.

Director Bonkowske again mentioned working with public utilities and the use of the City's EDA levy to raise funds for marketing. Mr. Bonkowske also said it might be possible for a joint business park between St. Lawrence Township and the City in the future.

V. *Affordable Housing-*

Member Radermacher asked whether there was available space in the city for building apartments. Director Bonkowske replied there is very little available land that is zoned for multi-family housing. Member Oldenberg suggested the 10 acres at the Pearson property that is currently zoned industrial, could be a possible location for apartments.

Director Bonkowske mentioned the use of the City's HRA levy to raise funds for available land, if needed. Chair Benko suggested the Executive Director of Scott County's HRA be invited to next month's meeting for discussions. Director Bonkowske said he would contact Mr. Jaffa and invite him to next month's meeting.

V. *Adjournment-*

Member Oldenberg made a Motion, Schoenike second, to adjourn at 7:07 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Troy Bonkowske
Economic Development / Planning Director