

JORDAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

MINUTES

June 16, 2009

Chair Ray Sandey called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Ray Sandey, Mike Shaw, Tanya Velishek, Ron Jabs and Greg Sticha (left at 8:10 p.m.). Absent: Dave Wolf and Daryl Karsky. Staff Present: Ed Shukle, Executive Director/City Administrator.

Approve Minutes: It was moved by Sticha, seconded by Velishek, to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2009 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Review Findings of Hotel Market Study: Ed Shukle reported that the final draft of the hotel market study has been completed. The EDA, City Council and potential developers have been given copies of the report. The EDA discussed the report and expressed their satisfaction that the data collected supports a viable hotel development. Shukle indicated that he would be following up with hotel developers regarding possible interest in developing a project for Jordan.

Update on Senior Housing (Assisted Living, Independent Living), Medical Clinic/Pharmacy/City Facilities Project: Shukle reported that Community Asset Development Group (CADG) contacted him recently indicating that they are getting close to securing a housing partner for the assisted living aspect of this project. Shukle will be keeping in contact with CADG regarding their project and reporting back to the EDA at the next meeting.

Update on Community Growth Options (CGO): Shukle explained that regular meetings prior to the monthly planning commission meeting have been occurring on the CGO project. He indicated that there will be a workshop on Thursday, June 18 at the Earle Brown Heritage Center, Brooklyn Center, for all of the communities participating in the CGO program currently. Representatives from Jordan will be in attendance at the workshop including Ray Sandey and Ron Jabs from the EDA. Mayor Pete Ewals and Terry Jeffrey from the Planning Commission will also be attending.

Other items: Shukle noted that Ron Jabs has been selected to receive the C.C. Ludwig Leadership Award from the League of Minnesota Cities. This prestigious award is given to elected and appointed officials in honor of the first executive director of the League, C.C. Ludwig. The award will be presented at the opening ceremony of the League's annual conference on Wednesday, June 24. The city of Jordan has arranged for a bus to take passengers to St. Paul and back. The members were asked to let Sandy Dault know by the end of this week if they were interested in riding the bus to the awards ceremony.

Members were also interested in hearing if there was any reaction by Mayor Pete Ewals to the letter sent from the EDA regarding his attitude towards the EDA. Tanya Velishek and Mike Shaw noted that there was no reaction other than for the mayor to request a copy of the letter from Tanya.

It was noted that the next meeting of the EDA will be held on Tuesday, July 21, 2009, 7 p.m., City Hall.

Adjournment: There being no further business, it was moved by Velishek, seconded by Jabs, to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Ed Shukle
Executive Director/City Administrator