



JORDAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Minutes

Monday, January 31, 2005

7:00 p.m.

Jordan City Hall

Chairman Jeremy Goeble convened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Present: Jabs, Sticha, Goeble, Senske, Mulcahy, and Sandey

Absent: Wolf & Director Waite Smith

Also Present: Treasurer Nikunen

2. Approve minutes from the November 16, 2004 meeting

The minutes were approved as written

3. Management Report

a. Survey Results

Nikunen distributed the survey and explained the survey results. He also requested direction for a possible meeting date to present the results to the business community. It was consensus that the results were generally all positive. The board asked for time to go over the survey and get their responses back to Waite Smith. It was agreed that within a week that the board should respond to Waite Smith through e-mail. The meeting date with the business community was set for 6:00p.m., on the regular EDA meeting date of March 15, 2005. It was also requested that the city staff come up with a list of vacant retail and commercial property in the city. This list is to be handed out upon request at city hall and posted on the city website.

Mulcahy brought up the fact that Scott County is sending out a business survey on amenities in the county and this could be used as an ad to the Jordan EDA.

b. Adult Education Class

There was much discussion on the time line of this business class. It was agreed that the EDA should wait until after the March 15 open house meeting to discuss the survey. Discussions were to offer a 3 part class that

takes a person through the process of starting a business. Jabs stated he would like to see the EDA use state help such as grants from DTED or SBA. Also discussed were to seek information from the area colleges. Goeble will contact St. Thomas, Jabs will contact the MN School of Business and Sandey will contact the Coop in Chaska. Also it was agreed that Goeble will contact Brenda Liske at Community Ed. to get more information on classes held previously and other details. It was consensus that if a College representative were to come and speak to the EDA that the April regular meeting would be the soonest available date.

c. EDA Budget

Goeble asked Nikunen if the EDA has set its budget for 2005. The response was that it had and the budget was set at \$50,500 back in the summer of 2004. Nikunen also stated that the cash balance remaining from previous years for the EDA was around \$46,000.

d. Chamber Bill Board Signs

Nikunen has a request on behalf of the Jordan Area Chamber of Commerce for a partnership on the Hwy 169 bill boards. It was discussed to split the space on the signs as well as the cost to prepare a new sign and hang the sign up. Consensus was to try and tailor the EDA portion to the EDA promotional flier produced in 2004. Ray Sandey offered to work with Nikunen the design to be brought back to the EDA at the next meeting on February 15, 2005.

Motion, Jabs, Second, Sticha: To approve up to \$1,000 in splitting the cost of the two signs pending approval of the design by the board.

4. **Consent Items**

There were no consent items.

5. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m.