

# Southern Boone Economic Development Council

## Board Minutes

January 28, 2021

On January 28, 2020 the meeting of the Southern Boone Economic Development Council was called to order by Chairman Chris Felmlee via Zoom, Ashland, Missouri at 8:06 a.m.

### Board Officers:

Chris Felmlee, President

Brandon Glascock, Vice President

Carrie Fischer, Secretary

Liz Heyen, Treasurer

Past President, Bill Lloyd

Jason Reynolds

Lonna Trammel

Vicki Kemna

Donnie Sanford

Matt Boyce

### Ex Officio Positions, Non-Voting Members

Richard Sullivan, Ashland Mayor

Bill Molendorp, Hartsburg Mayor

David Bock, Mid MO Regional Planning Office

David Steffes, MU Extension

Dave Westhoff, Westhoff Rentals

Justin Aldred, Boone County Commission

***\*We did not have a quorum to start the meeting so no action was taken\****

Board Officers present were Chris Felmlee, Brandon Glascock, Liz Heyen and Carrie Fischer.

Board Members present were Matt Boyce, Vicki Kemna, and Jason Reynolds

Ex Officio Members present were

Board Members absent were Donnie Stanford, Bill Lloyd and Lonna Trammell

Also present: Tracy Titmus, Tony St. Romaine, Lelande Rehard, and Richard Sullivan

Next meeting will be February 25, 2021

New Business: None

Old Business: NextSite Tony St. Romaine stated he has communicated with Lonna Trammell regarding NextSite who has collaborated with Ameren. He is familiar with this type of company that solicits businesses to come to our area with a success fee. He stated he feels it would be best to wait on this, as there are many other projects with the various entities in progress that require various resources. MO

Main Street is gearing up to get started and there was some discussion regarding the part-time person that would serve the City, Chamber and SBEDC. After some discussion it was decided to table this project for a few months, wait until spring/summer, and see what the status is of the other projects are. Vicki Kemna asked if there was a timeframe for the quote we received. Chris Felmlee stated we would need to ask Lonna Trammel for more details. Tracy Titmus asked about the part time person to serve the three entities and Tony St. Romaine stated he did not have any specifics just a broad idea at this point.

Chris Felmlee stated a few individuals had discussed the idea of merging the Chamber and SBEDC and the result was a Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU) to be renewed every year so that each entity stands alone but works together specifically having a joint website and sharing those costs. Liz Heyen stated she had reviewed the By-laws, Matt Uhrig had done quite a bit of work, and the By-laws require the two groups to stay separate.

Website: We have contracted with megaphone and they have provided them with content to get started on the new website. The initial cost was roughly \$900 and going forward he estimates a cost of \$540 per year.

Economic Updates: Real Estate is still moving. The Lakeside Ashland project was discussed and Tony St. Romaine gave a brief overview of the different phases for that area to take place over the next few years. There are some interested parties for the contiguous properties on the southwest corner of the Rout H overpass. One of the hurdles for the City is to get infrastructure to the west side of highway 63.

Matt Boyce stated there is ribbon cutting for the new Break time on February 16 at noon and anyone who is available is encouraged to attend.

Discussion: None

Respectfully Submitted,

Carrie Fischer, Secretary