

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**  
**APRIL 17, 2012**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Jurchen, Cindy Rieck, Patrick Smith, Tommy Woog

MEMBERS ABSENT: Ed Larsen

ALSO PRESENT: Sandy Peine, City Clerk; John Gunstad, BLAEDC; Jenna Crawford, Chamber of Commerce; and Mayor Nancy Adams

1. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Jurchen at 8:00 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

**TOMMY WOOG MOVED TO APPROVE THE JANUARY/15/2012 EDC MINUTES. PATRICK SMITH SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

3. Retail Update

Mark Jurchen informed those present that the Wild Daisy will be opening soon.

4. Communications with Major Employers in Pequot Lakes

Mark Jurchen updated the Council on the March meeting that was held at Ideal System Solutions. Discussion was held regarding how to encourage others to relocate in the community.

5. WAC/SAC – Rate Study Update

The EDC were informed that the Council decided not to go ahead with a water/sewer rate study. Discussion was held regarding whether a WAC and SAC policy could be drafted without doing a rate study. The EDC stated that someone from the Commission would like to address the Council on this issue. The EDC felt that a WAC/SAC policy is a critical component of a small business subsidy plan.

It was suggested that the industrial park lot size requirements be on the BLAEDC and possibly the City's web sites.

6. Comprehensive Plan Update

It was noted that the Planning Commission is still working with the City Council to discuss the issues related to the Comprehensive Plan. The EDC indicated that it would be willing to assist, if needed, in whatever it would take to get the Comprehensive Plan passed.

7. Sign Ordinance

Mark Jurchen informed the EDC that the Planning Commission is in the process of reviewing the sign ordinance and would like input from anyone with concerns.

8. BLAEDC Update

John Gunstad reviewed the BLAEDC quarterly activity report. Mr. Gunstad talked about the Executive Initiative.

9. Chamber Update

Jenna Crawford gave an update on Chamber activities.

10. May 15<sup>th</sup> Agenda Items

11. Other Business

Nancy Adams noted that the Jaycees would like to start a satellite program in the area.

12. Adjournment

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, COMMISSIONER WOOG MOVED TO ADJOURN. COMMISSIONER RIECK SECONDED THE MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 4-0.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Peine  
City Clerk