

**MINUTES OF THE MILLARD COUNTY  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION  
AT THE COUNTY OFFICES IN DELTA  
THIS 30th DAY OF APRIL 2024**

**BOARD MEMBERS  
PRESENT:**

Dan Davies..... Chairman of the Board  
Becky Callister..... Economic Development Board Member  
Lucas Stevens..... Economic Development Board Member  
Kevin Morris..... Economic Development Board Member  
Evelyn Warnick ..... Economic Development Board Member  
Adam Richins..... Economic Development Board Member  
Dennis Alldredge ..... Economic Development Board Member

**Board Member Absent:**

Kolton Taylor..... Vice-Chairman of the Board

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Bill Wright ..... Commissioner  
Jacob Nielson ..... HR  
Paula Dewsnap..... Economic Development Secretary

**1. Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance**

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. Dan Davies conducted and welcomed all in attendance.

**2. Review and Approval of March 19, 2025, Minutes**

Adam Richins made a motion to approve the minutes with changes Dennis Alldrige was accidentally left off the attendance. Jeff Christensen seconded. Motion carried.

### **3. Discussion and Proposal to Employ Abby Ivory (R6)**

Dan Davies said, as many of you know we have had Stuart and Patrick employed with the County, and they have done some good things. It was the consensus of the committee that some of that value is not what it had been in the past. Their fees had been reduced and so were some of the services that they did. So, Commissioner Wright had a chance to talk to them and if they needed to be called upon in the future they could be.

Dan said we have had Abby Ivory come to a couple of meetings, and her boss has submitted a proposal regarding what she should be paid for the year, to attend these meetings and do a lot of things that Patrick and Stuart were doing. We need to make a recommendation to the Commissioners. If we as a board feel like this is something that we would like to do.

The proposal was \$30,000 to \$36,00 a year. Commissioner Wright said what she would do is help us with some projects that we need help with.

Adam said the R-6 organization would like to be involved more with Economic Development and have taken measures in that direction. There are several things that they are going to be doing. Abby is engaged before any commitments she has been very proactive and involved in a lot of conversations at the six-county level. There is a lot of interaction that we don't have and there is going to be a need for us to be more involved.

Jacob said my recommendation would be what she can accomplish and be valuable to us, and go back to her and say what would this cost us to do this? And we measure against that.

Kevin Morris made a motion to employee Abby Ivory with \$20,000 a year. Evelyn Warnick seconded the motion. Motion Carried. Adam said he and Jacob would put together a letter with the proposal and submit it to the Commissioners for approval.

### **4. Financial Report**

Dan went over the financials with the board. Right now, we have almost \$550,000 left in the funds.

Dan asked for a motion to accept the financials. The board made a motion to approve the financials.

### **5. Discussion about Applications process & Presentation at Future Meetings**

Adam said he has had the following business turn in applications for funding:

Elaine Christiansen; Kousins Floral are asking for \$100,845 for an update of their business building.

Brandon Shurtz; Vortex Wireless are asking for \$125,320 to help with purchasing equipment for Internet.

Jackie Nielson; The Kid Depot are asking for \$16,565 to help with security cameras upgrade, along with some building upgrades.

Kierstin Peterson; Hometown Health and Wellness are asking for \$207,736 for medical equipment, and infrastructure for their new building.

The board discussed the applications and suggested that they be put on the next meeting when they had time to go over the applications. Dan asked Paula that the applications get emailed to the board for review and possible approval.

## **6. Scholarship program/review update**

Dan gave a brief update on the scholarship applications. I think that decision to the funding has been wonderful. Adam Dearden's parents said this scholarship has changed his life and has given him some hope. He is doing Cybersecurity. So, we are making a difference.

## **7. Other Business**

Commissioner Wright gave a brief update on some projects that are going on. One of the things that we deal with all the time is property tax. This graph that I gave you shows some new growth. A portion comes from real property and personal property. The more than we can get from Commercial Business it helps with personal property.

## **8. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am