

**MINUTES OF THE MILLARD COUNTY
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION
AT THE COUNTY OFFICES IN DELTA
THIS 18th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2024**

**BOARD MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Evelyn Warnick Chair of the Board
Dan Davies..... Vice-Chairman of the Board
Kolton Taylor..... Economic Development Board Member
Greg Roper..... Economic Development Board Member
Kelly Carter..... Economic Development Board Member

**BOARD MEMBERS
NOT PRESENT:**

Lucas Stevens..... Economic Development Board Member
Mark Huntsman Economic Development Board Member
David Styler Economic Development Board Member
Adam Richins..... Economic Development Board Member

ALSO PRESENT:

Vicki Lyman Commissioner
Paula Dewsnup..... Economic Development Secretary
Patrick Mullan..... UAC
Dent Kirkland..... Delta City
Chase McCain..... Delta City
Derek Nielson Delta City
Jacob Nielson Millard County

1. Welcome/Pledge of Allegiance

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

2. Review and possible Approval of June 19, 2024, Minutes

Kelly Carter made a motion to approve the minutes as written. Kolton Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

3. Update on Snow College/Assign Committee – Jacob Nielson

Evelyn said we have had a couple of applications turned in. We need to do more advertising to get the word out, so people know about this program.

Jacob said what we are trying to do is determine what the outcome will be and use economic development as a tool.

Kelly said the goal of the MEDA Board is infrastructure that is where we should focus on its growth, and to do that is to use the funds to get the word out there about the grant money.

4. Update on County Business – Adam Richins

Evelyn said at the last-minute Adam had a meeting in Salt Lake and could not make the meeting. He sent me an email with an update that needs to be discussed.

Adam has received applications from Shane Church and Collin Christensen asking for funding for their infrastructure projects that are east of Delta. Evelyn said I feel like the board needs to provide directions on where they want the funding to go and some objectives that need to be discussed with the applicants.

Patrick said we need to look at this parcel of land and see the property value and it is all ways going to increase slightly so we need to put this in the RDA. We need an agreement that this money will be repaid for the infrastructure investment we make. There is no incentive for us to do this, the county and Delta City must look at these projects and engage them to have them understand with an infrastructure investment is and not worry about getting repaid. Or is this a longer-term incentive project area to really grow this area. However, you cannot do any of this without a project area in place.

Kelly said to have them petition for the annexation, the county can continue to work on the road, but in the end, we will need an annexation plan. Patrick said that is when it really gets contentious, and you must think about whether it is worth county tax dollars. Anything that is above a certain amount should be considered new growth and new growth is going to flow in when you have these redevelopment areas.

Kelly said step one would be starting this conversation, is we need to decide if this is an effective use of our funds, and what the long-term goals are. These are the questions that you will ask at the Commissioner Meeting, then we need to figure out the but for process.

Evelyn asked how we move this forward and get things going. Patrick said we need to engage with Shane Church, Colin Christensen and establish a project area and get Delta City on board.

Patrick said before we move forward, I suggest that we as a board produce a project area first. Then when the cities come back, we can say we looked at this and it is the amount that they need. This is a good use of the county infrastructure that we want to spend this on.

Jacob suggested that we get Adam on board, collect all the data and information, and give us the recommendation. Then we need to have the applicants give us more information and fix the application. Kelly said the next steps after that are going to the tax entities and having conversations with them.

Patrick said we do need to vote on how we are going to do next year's application that starts on October 1st. We must start putting the application together. We can effectively say this is going to do the same thing and that was a third towards infrastructure, third towards workforce training, and reference what we are already doing. The mechanism is in the infrastructure fund. You want to keep those funds separate to be a self-sustaining engine.

Evelyn asked for a motion. Greg Roper made a motion that we continue forward with the same structure. Kolton Taylor seconded. Motion carried.

5. Other Business

Evelyn said with the Grant money they were able to purchase a Trailer for the CDL program.

There was no other business that needed to be discussed.

6. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 am