

Antrim County

Economic Development Corporation

Mission Statement: Retain, expand, and promote County-wide economic growth and stability.

December 15, 2020
Minutes

Members present: Veronica Welter, Kathy Peterson, Rachel Krino, Pate Garwood, Bonnie Robbins,
Dave Heeres

Members Absent: Sherry Comben, John Meeske, Mike Allison,

Others Present: Jeremy Scott, Margie Boyd, Andy Hayes, David Emmel

1. Call to Order

The meeting was held virtually via the Zoom conferencing app in compliance with the MDHHS Epidemic Order, which expires December 20, 2020. The Meeting was called to order to Rachel Krino at 9:05AM.

- Pete Garwood – Bellaire, MI
- Rachel Krino – Bellaire, MI
- Kathy Peterson – Torch Lake Twp
- Bonnie Robbins – Alden, MI
- Veronica Welter – Torch Lake Twp, Antr
- Dave Heeres – Banks Twp

2. Public Comment

None

3. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Pete Garwood, seconded by Veronica Welter, to approve the minutes of July 21, 2020 as presented.

Motion Passes – Yes: Pete Garwood, Rachel Krino, Kathy Peterson, Bonnie Robbins, Veronica Welter, Dave Heeres | No: None | Absent: Mike Allison, Sherry Comben, John Meeske

4. Northern Lakes Economic Alliance Quarterly Update

The new NLEA President, David Emmel, was introduced to the EDC. The future of economic development, post COVID-19 was discussed.

5. Road Map Update, Budget Amendment

Due to a scheduling conflict, Burt Thompson with the Antrim County Road Commission was unable to attend. Mr. Thompson did ask that members of the EDC be told that the Road Commission was not taking comments on the proofs of the road map that were included in their agenda packets at this time. Once the corrected proofs have come back from the cartographer, the EDC will be asked to provide comments or suggestions.

Rachel Krino expressed concern about the Shanty Creek detail map. She said it should focus on a different area and should be centered.

Dave Heeres expressed concern about spending money on a paper map.

Motion by Veronica seconded by Kathy for the EDC to recommend to the Board of Commissioners to expend the recommended amount for the cartography and printing of new County maps.

Motion Passes – Yes: Pete Garwood, Rachel Krino, Kathy Peterson, Bonnie Robbins, Veronica Welter, Dave Heeres | No: None | Absent: Mike Allison, Sherry Comben, John Meeske

6. Various Matters as Appropriate

Members were informed that John Meeske and Kathy Peterson had been reappointed to their seats on the EDC board.

Motion by Veronica seconded by Rachel to set the EDC organizational meeting for January 19, 2021

Motion Passes – Yes: Pete Garwood, Rachel Krino, Kathy Peterson, Bonnie Robbins, Veronica Welter, Dave Heeres | No: None | Absent: Mike Allison, Sherry Comben, John Meeske

7. Public Comment

None

Meeting was adjourned at 10:26.