Economic Development Board Meeting October 10, 2018

Meeting called to order: 12:11p.m. Open meeting laws posted

Members Present: Darcy Johnson, Tom Shoemaker, Dave Custer, Leah tenBensel, Judy Jackson, Jarod Albers

Members Absent: Logan Baker

Others Present: Melissa Jackson, Monica Leuking

Agenda corrections or additions; Darcy has asked that Monica include a director’s report with the monthly board packet.

Consent Approval of Minutes and Bills:
Motion to approve as read by Dave Custer, seconded by Judy Jackson, Motion carried.

New Business:

Corner Café: Owner was contacted about making monthly payments as the original agreement read, the owner said that summer bills were hard on the business, and that she is hoping that winter revenue picks up so that she may have the ability to pay more than the established payments. ED may need to restructure the terms of loan to make sure the payments are attainable and will continue to be received, or another option may be that the payment be added to the city billing.

Leadership Conference: The first meeting was held on September 27th, good reviews have been made, the group is learning a lot about Cambridge, 15 were in attendance.

Testimonials: The use of testimonials has been implemented, Logan Baker was the first candidate, and Monica will continue to contact people to get their testimonial to promote ED programs. A 69022 mailing has been discussed but was switched to use the water bill as a mailing medium for getting the promotional information to the public. Additional ideas for promoting ED programs were; board members writing Letters to the Editor, and utilizing the Town Hall meeting on October 24th, at 5:30, a power point presentation has been made for the Town Hall meeting.

CAV Repair: CAV has requested an additional $13,000.00 to finish the tin on their building south of Cambridge. It was brought up that ED needed to consult with Attorney Lisa Shifflet to verify proper channels are being taken on this loan. A motion was made by Jan tenBensel that ED Approve the $13,000.00 loan contingent upon the approval of the City Attorney. Seconded by Jarod Albers, motion carried.
Building Incentives: Discussion was held with regards to the building incentives for Harvest Meadows, since Arapahoe now has a similar program with $25,000.00 building incentives. This was tabled for later discussion but Monica was asked to look into the start dates on the existing lots in Harvest Meadows.

New Business:

Addition to Action List: Discussion was help that there is a great need for Daycare/Afterschool programs within the community. The possibility of grant money was discusses as well as making these program immediate action and sustainable action items.

Housing Workshop: Monica has asked for funds to attend a housing workshop for learning and networking potential. Motion was made by Judy Jackson to provide funds for said workshop, seconded by Darcy Johnson, Motion carried.

Project Updates and Other Business: None was discussed.

Next meeting will be on November 14th, at 12:00p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leah tenBensel