



ECONOMIC GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Thursday, April 1, 2021 – 12 PM | Council Chambers, City Hall

1. **Call meeting to order**
2. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. January 12, 2021 and March 11th (February 4th meeting was cancelled)
3. **Public Comment** – Limit to three minutes per person
4. **Continued Business:**
 - a. North Gateway Sign-update- Trent Freeman
 - b. Grant Updates:
 - i. Tourism Grant -Trent Freeman & CAO Jordan Green
 - ii. Successful Deer Lodge – Mary Hathaway
5. **New Business:**
 - a. East Annexation – Mary Hathaway
 - b. Welcome Basket contributions-request from Chamber of Commerce. – Mary Hathaway
6. **Committee Comments or Concerns**
7. **Announcement of the next meeting**
 - a. May 6th at 12:00pm
8. **Adjournment**

Economic Growth & Development Committee

Members

Mary Hathaway(Chairperson) | Amanda Bohrer | John Henderson

CITY OF DEER LODGE ECONOMIC GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Meeting: Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 5pm | Council Chambers, City Hall.

Members Present: Mary Hathaway, Amanda Bohrer, John Henderson

Members Absent: None

Mayor: Diana Solle

Council Members: None

Staff: Trent Freeman, Cyndi Thompson

Guests: None

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairperson Hathaway called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

2. Approval of Minutes –

Deferred to February Meeting

3. Public Comment – Members of the audience may comment on any non-agenda item. State Statute prohibits the Economic Growth & Development from discussing any introduced item. The Committee limits each person to three minutes to ensure there is sufficient time for all comments. The Committee respects all comments and will have staff follow up any questions.

None

4. New Business: (The Committee accepts public comment at the end of each item.)

None

5. Continued Business: (The Committee accepts public comment at the end of each item.)

- a. North Gateway Sign – Review bids and select Manufacture.
After careful review and discussion by the Committee. The Committee choose Fastsigns out of Black Eagle, MT. Member Henderson made a motion to accept Fastsigns bid, Member Bohrer seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

6. Announcement of the next meeting

February 4th at 12pm

7. Committee Comments or Concerns:

8. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 5:22pm

Prepared by: Cyndi Thompson, City Clerk

Mary Hathaway, Committee Chairperson

Date

Economic Growth & Development Committee
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CITY OF DEER LODGE ECONOMIC GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Meeting: Thursday, March 11, 2021 at 12pm | Council Chambers, City Hall.

Members Present: Mary Hathaway, Amanda Bohrer, & John Henderson

Members Absent: None

Mayor: Diana Solle

Council Members: None

Staff: Cyndi Thompson

Guests: See Sign in Sheet

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chairperson Hathaway called the meeting to order at 12:00pm

2. Approval of Minutes – January 7, 2021 passed with unanimous consent. January 12th Minutes were deferred to next meeting.

3. Public Comment

None

4. New Business:

a. Successful Deer Lodge update--Randy Carpenter

Randy Carpenter from Future West discussed updates on Successful Deer Lodge. This project is fully funded through an EDA Grant (by Headwaters RC&D) and Treasure State Fund Grant. Randy continues to see the two main needs of Deer Lodge as a) Housing and b) Revitalizing Downtown. Housing supply (no lots, no employees, high cost of materials) v. demand (rentals v.

owners needed, TIF funding options, CDBG funding options, Rural Development options, clearing/developing land options) was discussed. Randy is working with Wendy Sullivan from SouthWest....? to do a Community Profile. End goals will be to establish a Regional housing committee, have interviews completed by the week of March 22, have an action plan list completed by June, and have a concrete action plan completed by the end of summer. **Committee needs to send interview names to Randy after he lets us know who he has already interviewed.**

b. Chamber Report--Bridgett Herrick, President

Bridgett Herrick and Julie Schroder discussed the Chamber of Commerce upcoming events. They will provide a two-month calendar online (link sent to Cyndi for city website) and emailed/printed by request. They have been cleared for all outdoor activities and will be having a Color Run in June. **Committee needs are to help City contribute to "Welcome" basket items to new businesses in town (two this month).**

c. Discover Deer Lodge Report--Amber Brown

Amber Brown discussed Discover Deer Lodge upcoming events. They have a Basketball Calcutta on March 17 goal is to make this an annual event. Cooking on the Clark Fork is cancelled. Stick & Bays will be the end of July, Location still pending. They are focused on the renovation of 502 Main St. and have applied for a \$50,000 grant through Historic Preservation. Sammy Thomas is their new President. No needs from Committee.

d. Working with our City entities—discuss

Local entities will be invited quarterly to attend.

e. EG&D Bylaws-review

Member Henderson motioned to approve EG&D Bylaws as presented. Member Bohrer seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

5. Continued Business:

- a. North Gateway Sign--no update
- b. Tourism Grant--no update

6. Announcement of the next meeting:

April 1st at 12pm

7. Committee Comments or Concerns: None

8. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 1:00pm

Prepared by: Cyndi Thompson, City Clerk

Mary Hathaway, Committee Chairperson

Date

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