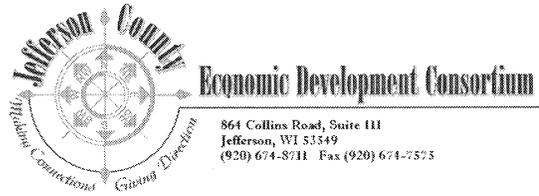


**Jefferson County Economic Development
Consortium
Board of Directors Meeting
February 9, 2011**



Meeting called to order at 8:37 a.m.

Board members present: Supervisors, Jim Schroeder, Augie Tietz, Mary Delany; Mayor Ron Krueger – Watertown, John Wilmet-Fort Atkinson,

Others Present: Lynn Forseth-Madison College, Professor Steve Grabow, Catherine Kleiber, Vivian Kuss-WE Energies, Mary Nimm-Whitewater, Roland Welsch-MIS Department, Joseph Nehmer-Parks, JCEDC Executive Director Dennis Heling and Administrative Assistant RoxAnne Witte

Certification of compliance with Open Meeting Law Requirements

D. Heling certified compliance for the agenda dated February 9, 2011

Public Comment

No public comments

Minutes

Schroeder/Wilmet moved to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2011 as presented.
Motion carried.

Executive Directors Report

D. Heling distributed his monthly written report to the board of directors.
Delany/Tietz moved to accept the Executive Directors Report as printed. Motion carried.

Finance Report

Delany/Schroeder moved to approve the January 2011 financials as submitted. Motion carried.

Presentation – Rural Fiber Topic Network Development – Gary Fields, CFO National Public Broadband, Inc.

Gary Fields gave a webinar presentation on process of obtaining countywide wireless/broadband service. He explained different options the county could pursue and what they would need to know to get the process started. JCEDC will look into obtaining additional information on this topic to present to the board.

Committee Reports

Tourism

S Kline updated the board on the activities of the Jefferson County Tourism Council

1. The visitors guide will be ready for the upcoming Tourism events in March. The council is currently looking at ways to cost effectively distribute the guide.
2. The council will have a booth at Canoecopia – March 11 – 13, 2011
3. Tourism Hospitality Award Banquet will be held March 24, 2011, cost \$20.00.

Transportation Issues

Discussion was held on the idea of having a countywide transportation committee to address all issues of transportation within Jefferson County i.e. difficulties getting around in the county if you do not drive.

Business Development, Retention and Attraction

1. D. Heling updated the board on the Metalcraft potential expansion project in Ixonia and meeting with business owners and various state agencies.
2. Mayor Krueger updated the board on the issue that had developed with the new owners of the Applied Molded Products building.
3. L. Forseth updated the board on projects that Madison College is working on to bring new training programs to Jefferson County.

Glacial Heritage Area

J. Nehmer updated the board on the activities and upcoming meetings for the Glacial Heritage area and the challenges that Jefferson County will face in the future as it develops this area.

Future Agenda Items

Board band committee

Upcoming Meetings

JCEDC Board of Directors, March 9th 8:30 am., UW Extension/Workforce Development Building, Rm 12
Glacial Heritage, Thursday, February 24th 3:30 pm, McKay Nursery Waterloo
Hospital Award Banquet, March 24th, 6:00 pm, JC Plaza Hotel and Conference Center

Adjournment

There being no further business for consideration meeting adjourned at 10:40 am.

Respectfully submitted,


RoxAnne L. Witte

Recording Secretary