

~~April~~  
Minutes ~~July~~ 2, 2020  
Meeting of  
Wood County Economic Development Commission  
5:30 p.m.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Attendees: Jim Berry, Tommy Brown, Tom Callan, Allene Doggett, Neal Duncan, Greg Hollen, Tom Keenan, Vic Savelli, Mike Simmons, Joanne Wisdom, Rodney KieKe, Craig Lindholm. Quorum Present.

Members not present:

Others Present: Larry Tucker with Wood County Monitor, Joleen Wallace with

Citizen Comment: Joleen Wallace of Willis made inquiries about the Agenda. Tom Keenan explained agenda and public comment rules. Comments have to be presented before the meeting & not during the meeting per the Open Meetings Act. The policy is to submit comments before an agenda item.

Ms. Willis inquired about next month's meeting/agenda to discuss business development, contracting, and other areas:

March Minutes: No discussion. Motion and second to approve. Vote was carried unanimously.

Financials: Financials were discussed at the last meeting with no changes because of so little time between meetings. Still the financials were not accurate at this time. We will be making an effort to get them in order.

New Time and Location for Board Meetings: First Thursday at 5:30 at another location to be determined with the possibility of using the Civic Center.

New Business: County funds for the use of assisting Wood County businesses were approved by the County Commissioners. Vic Savelli presented the program for the requirements to be approved for their businesses to be funded. The initial amount to be asked for funding was \$100,000.00. A motion, after discussion, for the UCC Relief Fund Guidelines and the Coviud Relief Fund Guidelines were approved and seconded with an amendment added to be able to have changes of guidelines made by the County Commissioners, Auditors, or the EDC Wood County Board. Vote was carried unanimously.

Hot Funds process to establish a committee that represented the Wood County Area. Committee and schedule was established with Allene Doggett appointed as chair person of the Hot Funds Committee. Committee was established to determine Hot Funds chosen to participate in the program. Date for the meeting was established for June 17 and 18<sup>th</sup>.

Old Business: Demographics Dash Board was discussed for EDC Wood County usage. Roger Johnson had started the process.

Chair Report: Tom Keenan had a discussion with Joann Wisdom about the necessity of Face Shields. There was a total of over 400 when she called for need in the medical community. Discussion was what the board could do to help purchase those items

Director Report: The initial applications for the UCC Relief Fund Guidelines and the Coviud Relief Fund were at over nine individuals.

A discussion of broad band with the ETCOG and becoming a ETCOG member. I presented the Reference USA marketing data base.

Committee Reports: No reports.