

Pike County Economic Development Corporation

2016 Annual Meeting Minutes

GFC/Bale Bandit facility

April 7, 2016

Meet & Tour of GFC Facilities

Dinner

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:01pm. Chairman Jim Brown was absent. Brenda Middendorf, Interim Executive Director, thanked the Brown family for their hospitality in hosting the annual meeting.

Minutes

Minutes of the 2015 Annual Meeting were provided to members present. Kent Goewey made the motion to approve the 2015 Annual Meeting minutes as written, Robert Wood, second. Motion carried.

Election of Officers and Board of Directors

Max Middendorf, Nominating Committee, presented the bylaws of PCEDC as it relates to the election of officers and the board of directors. The business and property of this Corporation shall be managed and controlled by a Board of Directors. Directors will be elected at each annual meeting of this Corporation and will serve until their successors are elected and qualified. At the first meeting following implementation, the Board of Directors will draw lots to determine which directors are elected to an initial one year term (three directors), two-year term (three directors) or three-year term (three directors). At succeeding annual meetings, directors are elected to serve three-year terms. Five Directors will be elected from qualifying public sector voting members representing the county of Pike, municipalities and districts therein. Four directors will be elected from qualifying voting members representing the private sector.

The Directors whose terms expire are: Craig Gengler – Farmers National Bank of Griggsville (Private member), Lance Kendrick – City of Barry (replaced by Bob Dieker, Public Member), Steve Schaefer – Frontier Communications (Private Member). These individuals represent one public sector position and two private sector positions. The nominating committee makes the recommendation to re-appoint Craig Gengler (FNBG), Casey French (CASS Communications), and Jake Bartlett (Village of Perry) to Board of Directors for terms ending 2019. There were no

other nominations from the floor. The motion to accept recommendation to appoint Craig Gengler, Casey French, and Jake Bartlett to the Board of Directors for terms ending in 2019 was made by Bob Dieker, second Robert Wood. Motion carried.

Max Middendorf presented the current officers of PCEDC. The officers of the corporation must come from within the nine member Board of Directors. The current officers are: Jim Brown, Chairman; Lance Kendrick, Vice-Chairman; Karrie Spann, Secretary and Taylor Rakers, Treasurer. The nominating committee makes the following recommendations for the 2016-2017 Officers of PCEDC: Jim Brown, Chairman; Pat Conley, Vice-Chairman; Karrie Spann, Secretary and Jim Sheppard, Treasurer. There were no other nominations from the floor. The motion was made to accept the recommendation to appoint these individuals to the respective offices by Robert Wood, second Kent Goewey. Motion carried.

Interim Executive Director's Comments

Brenda Middendorf thanked the members of PCEDC for their support of the corporation. She stated that PCEDC was serious about its mission. PCEDC has used careful planning to provide a healthy and sustainable environment for growth in all areas of development including infrastructure improvements, promotions and marketing and creating a positive business climate. PCEDC encourages feedback from members. Member expectations drive the development of the PCEDC action plan. Because business planning and marketing are high priorities for PCEDC, we have contracted with Sean Park, MA. Sean earned a master's degree in Economics from WIU. He was most recently a Business Advisor for the Small Business Development Center at W.I.U. He works with rural entrepreneurs to develop business plans, find financing, and operate their own successful small businesses. Brenda reiterated PCEDC's commitment. Economic development is a race with no finish line, PCEDC vows to keep running the race to a better Pike County.

Chairman's Remarks

Chairman Jim Brown was absent.

Adjournment

With business concluded, a motion was made to adjourn the 2016 Annual Meeting by Kent Goewey, second, Robert Wood. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm.