

**Pike County Economic Development Corporation**  
**2017 Annual Meeting**  
**JBS United**  
**April 6, 2017**

**Meet & Tour of the JBS Facilities.**

**Dinner**

**Welcome & Introductions**

Brenda Middendorf, Interim Executive Director, thanked JBS United for their support, the tour of the facilities and the delicious meal.

**Call to Order**

The 2017 Annual Meeting was called to order at 7:37pm by Jim Brown, PCEDC Chairman.

**Minutes of 2016 PCEDC Annual Meeting**

A motion to approve the minutes of the 2016 PCEDC Annual Meeting was made by Blake Roderick. Kent Goewey, second. Motion carried. Minutes were approved as written.

**Election of Officers & Board of Directors**

Diane Vose, Nominating Committee, explained the requirements for serving on the PCEDC Board of Directors and as PCEDC Officers. Directors are elected to serve three-year terms. Five Directors will be from qualifying public sector voting members representing the county of Pike, municipalities and districts therein. Four directors will be from qualifying voting members representing the private sector. The officers of PCEDC must come from within the nine member Board of Directors.

Directors whose terms expire are: Jim Brown – Niemann Foods (County Market), Private Member; Patrick Conley – Farmers Bank of Liberty, Private Member, and Jim Sheppard – Pike County Board, Public Member. The nominating committee makes the recommendation to re-appoint: Jim Brown – County Market, Patrick Conley -- Farmers Bank of Liberty, and Jim Sheppard -- Pike County Board, to the PCEDC Board of Directors for terms ending 2020. There were no other nominations from the floor. A motion to accept the recommendation to appoint Jim Brown, Patrick Conley, and Jim Sheppard to the PCEDC Board of Directors ending in 2020 was made by Max Middendorf. Blake Roderick, second. Motion carried.

Current officers are: Jim Brown, Chairman; Patrick Conley, Vice-Chairman; Karrie Spann, Secretary; Jim Sheppard, Treasurer. The nominating committee makes the following recommendations for the 2017-2018 Officers of PCEDC: Patrick Conley, Chairman; Jim Sheppard, Vice-Chairman; Karrie Spann, Secretary; Craig Gengler, Treasurer. There were no other nominations from the floor. A motion was made to accept the recommendation to appoint Patrick Conley, Chairman; Jim Sheppard, Vice-Chairman; Karrie Spann, Secretary; Craig Gengler, Treasurer for the 2017-2018 Officers of PCEDC by Kent Goewey. Max Middendorf, second. Motion carried.

### **Marketing Update**

Gary Camarano, Marketing Consultant, provided those present with an update on his activities. He, and members of his group, currently attend 20 Trade Shows per year. These Trade Shows are vitally important to generate leads and create contacts in order to promote our Pike County resources and the region to businesses, for tourism, and other investment opportunities that would fit well into the Pike County area. Gary also negotiated for a full page ad for Pike County in the Expansion Solutions magazine. This magazine is aimed at corporate executives and site selection consultants. He will continue to use opportunities such as print advertisement and press releases, as well as the Trade Shows, to get our message out and highlight Pike County.

### **Update on JWCC Southeastern Facility**

Bill LaTour, JWCC Dean of Operations, apprised those present on the new JWCC building near Pittsfield. Improvements to the building are moving along quickly and include classroom facilities as well as a space for meetings and community activities. All will be updated with the latest in computer technology. This building will be not only a great facility for JWCC but also serve as a great asset and resource to the Pike County area and its communities. The building will open for classes in the fall of 2017.

### **Chairman's Remarks**

Jim Brown, PCEDC Chairman, thanked JBS United for hosting the 2017 PCEDC Annual Meeting. He has enjoyed serving as the chairman of PCEDC.

### **Presentation**

Brenda Middendorf, Interim Executive Director, presented outgoing Chairman Jim Brown with a plaque in recognition of his service as PCEDC Chairman since 2013. She emphasized that while serving as chairman Jim provided excellent leadership and ideas and had been a fundamental part of the Work Force Readiness program for PCEDC.

### **Adjournment**

With business concluded, a motion was made to adjourn the 2017 PCEDC Annual Meeting by Kent Goewey. Max Middendorf, second. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.