**Pike County Economic Development Corporation**

**Quarterly Membership Meeting Minutes**

**Pike County Farm Bureau Conference Room**

**September 23, 2019**

**Attendees**

Brenda Middendorf, Karrie Spann, Jim Sheppard, Max Middendorf, Kent Goewey, Robert Wood, Patrick Conley, Blake Roderick

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Patrick Conley, Chairman, at 5:30pm.

**Minutes**

Meeting agenda and minutes of the July 2109 meeting were provided via email to members and were available for review. Max Middendorf made the motion to approve the July minutes, Blake Roderick seconded. Motion carried.

**Financial Report**

Financial report was summarized. Balance Sheet as of September 20, 2019-Total Liabilities & Equity $87,241.86. Profit & Loss, July 22-September 20, 2019-Net Income $3,614.50. Profit & Loss, January 1-September 20, 2019-Net Income $16,332.92. Oncome by Customer Summary, January 1-September 20,2019-Total $33,810.00. Profit & Loss Previous Year Comparison, January 1-September 20,2019- $16, 332.92. January 1-September 20, 2018-$29,678.99. The -13,346.07 is due to intern costs and late bill from Gary Camarano, Marketing.

**Marketing Report**

Brenda Middendorf summarized the written Marketing report for those present.

**Director’s Report**

Brenda Middendorf summarized her written report. New AmeriCorps intern Dallas Thueringer. Meet with American Freshwater Fish stakeholders and DCEO, Conduct Rural Partners tour-tour of Pike County, 30th Anniversary Tour.

**Quarterly Committee Updates**

Business Retention & Workforce Development-Work Ready Program rolling out in area schools.

Small Business/Entrepreneurship-Small Business Workshops at JWCC, beginning Nov 7-May 2020.

Community Needs/Municipal Issues-Elected Officials meeting was well attended, great food.

**Old Business**

Pike County RLF-Close to closing out one loan, another is still at a standstill, purchasing 2 other loans.

Census Update-Blake Roderick and Brenda Middendorf met with a census representative, working to get a County Census Committee, Natalie Roseberry has volunteered to lead the County Census Committee.

Americorps Update-Intern Dallas Thueringer official start date September 3, 2019.

**New Business**

Florence Bridge-is funded in the Rebuild Illinois road and bridge projects, 2027 completion date.

Accommodations Tax Grants-Four applications, approval pending at the Pike County Board Meeting this evening.

YMCA Corporate Challenge-PCEDC will help promote along with City of Barry, begins January 2020.

Tri State Summit-October 24, 2019

Electronic Recycling/tube TV’s-this is a constant struggle as tube TV’s are extremely difficult to recycle. Hannibal, MO is having a tube TV event, tube TV’s will be accepted for $20 a TV, the City of Pittsfield has offered to transport the remaining tube TV’s from the electronics collection site to Hannibal. This will get the site cleaned up. The electronic collections site will then be closed. Residents can contact Hollywood Appliances for their electronics recycling needs. Brenda will look in to selling the canopy that covers the current electronics collection site. A motion was made by Kent Goewey to allow the City of Pittsfield haul away the remaining Tube TV’s to Hannibal’s event at a cost of $20 per TV and clean up the current electronics site, Robert Wood second. Motion carried.

Illinois Film Office Participation-Gary Camarano received a grant to expand the Northwest Illinois Film Office, this grant will provide funds for a website, publicist, festival, marketing, etc. We can be a part of this Film Office for $500. Kent Goewey made the motion to participate in the Northwest Illinois Film Office at a cost of $500, Robert Wood, second. Motion carried.

**Chairman’s Comments**

None

**Visitor Comments**

Earl Bricker-Two Rivers Regional Council, New Vision Statement and Vision for Economic Development, Revamping the REACHOUT center in Pittsfield.

**Member Updates & Comments**

Robert Wood-New Businesses moving in to the old Red Dome dining room site, City businesses looking for building sites, Sewer project.

Jim Sheppard-Pike County Board budget season, should have the final vote on the Pleasant Hill issue this evening.

Max Middendorf-MECCO now has drone capabilities.

Blake Roderick-Lower Illinois River meeting, Rural Prosperity interagency taskforce-USDA priority to increase prosperity in rural areas.

Brenda Middendorf- Access Food wrap up, refrigerated truck at Smith Taxidermy, Todd Smith is the processor. Christmas Lodge Tour is nearly full.

**Adjournment**

With business concluded, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Kent Goewey, Blake Roderick, second. Motion carried. The meeting concluded at 6:20pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Karrie Spann, Secretary.

Next Executive /Voting Meeting: Monday, November 25, 2019.

Next Quarterly Meeting: Monday, December 23, 2019.

Vote clean up electronics site, transport tube tvs to Hannibal, all future recycling needs contact Hollywood. Kent Robert

FilmOffice Kent Robert