

**CITY OF HANOVER
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING
FEBRUARY 21, 2019 – OFFICIAL MINUTES**

Call to Order

Treasurer Johnson called the regular EDA meeting of February 21, 2019 to order at 8:00 a.m. Present were Members Jessica Johnson, Ted Zrust, Tony Ross, and MaryAnn Hallstein. Also present was City Administrator Brian Hagen. Guest present was Duane Northagen of WCEDP. Members Todd Bartels, Brian Dismang, and Ken Warpula were absent.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION by Zrust to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Ross. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Approval of Minutes from January 17, 2019 Regular Meeting

MOTION by Hallstein to approve minutes as presented, seconded by Ross. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Approval of Accounts Payable and Financial Reports

Johnson noted that all loans were current. She further noted that Hanover Dental paid their loan off in full. **MOTION** by Johnson to approve the Accounts Payable and Financial Reports as presented, seconded by Zrust. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Citizen's Forum

Duane Northagen presented on a 2019 project called Workforce Pathways. It is a program funded by the Initiative Foundation with a focus on how to better train individuals in jobs that can be found in Wright County. The program will have one focus on how to better utilize the Wright Technical Center in Buffalo during their off hours which include nights, weekends, and summer months.

Unfinished Business

2019 Business Social

Hagen reviewed the PowerPoint presentation for the event. Hagen inquired on how the group wanted to organize the drawing for the appreciation tokens. Johnson suggested having business representatives submit a business card. Generic cards can be available as well if needed for individuals to complete. The group also suggested giving away 10 Yeti mugs that are leftovers from prior years.

New Business

EDA Business Assistance Application – Big Bore BBQ Co.

Hagen updated the group on the application status. The applicant is not prepared to move forward with the final request as they are working towards finalizing the purchase agreement yet.

Reports

Hagen provided information related to an option for Hennepin County properties to be placed in an accelerated tax forfeiture process. The Hilltop is one property identified as a potential candidate. The EDA felt this property should be considered by the EDA for purchase should it become available.

Adjournment

MOTION by Zrust to adjourn at 9:36 a.m., seconded by Ross. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ATTEST:

Brian Hagen, City Administrator