



Economic Development Board Meeting Minutes, January 8, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 p.m. Open meeting laws noted.

Members Present: Tom Shoemaker, Darcy Johnson, Derek Downer, Judy Jackson, Dave Custer, Randy Heitmann, Jarod Albers, Jan tenBensel, Logan Baker

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Melissa Jackson, Judy McCune

Agenda Corrections or Additions: Added charging station grants to agenda. None other noted.

Consent Approval of Financials/Invoices and Minutes and Bills: Motion to approve the Minutes and Bills was made by Jan tenBensel, seconded by Judy Jackson. Motion carried.

New Business:

Judy McCune gave an update on the EV charging station rebate program – Cambridge has been awarded the grant from the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy (NDEE). Construction is anticipated to begin in April or May. The ED portion of the commitment is \$3,525.86.

Melissa Jackson gave an activities report to the Board.

Albers gave an update on the daycare at the school. Additional discussion was held about early childhood education and daycare as it pertains to the use of LB840 funds, the need for a strategic planning session and expiration of "Vision 2020," as well as Vision 2035.

Project Updates:

M Jackson reported that hardship grant applications were hand-delivered to all qualifying businesses and an application deadline reminder was sent.

The Board gave direction to M Jackson to perform an audit on all down payment assistance loans to verify all appropriate documentation is in hand.

M Jackson gave an update on recent and upcoming Chamber/ED promotions.

Officer nominations and Board seats were tabled until the February meeting.

At 12:51, Jan tenBensel made a motion to enter executive session, seconded by Darcy Johnson, to discuss personnel.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 12, 2020, at 12:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:17 p.m.