



**CITY OF ALLEGAN
Economic Development Corporation
Griswold Auditorium
401 Hubbard Street, Allegan MI 49010
Wednesday, March 2, 2016**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:02pm

II. Attendance

Present: Lovedia Stap, Tim Perrigo, Fred Jordan, Kim Munn, Rachel McKenzie

Absent: Craig vanMelle, Bruce Campbell, Nora Balgoyen-Williams, Mike Walsh

Others

Present: Robert Hillard – City Manager, Tony McGhee – Abonmarche

III. Approval of the Previous Minutes

Kim Munn, supported by Tim Perrigo, made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 3, 2016, meeting. Motion carried with Rachel McKenzie abstaining.

IV. Old Business

1. Economic Development Services – Tony McGhee - Abonmarche

Tony McGhee, Abonmarche, introduced himself and outlined his experiences, and the contract expectations with the City. He specifically outlined the objective to reach out to property owners, as well as business owners to encourage activity and commerce. He further indicated that he has access to architectural as well as engineering services related to physical design standards to encourage both public and private projects. The AEDC asked a variety of questions, and expressed ideas related to new commerce in downtown and on the corridors. R. Hillard emphasized that this contract is for downtown services, but also the highway corridors, as well as the business park.

2. 2016/17 Tasks

The AEDC reviewed the proposed tasks as presented. They included 1) Business Recruitment and Retention in Downtown, 2) Marketing Business Park Properties for Development, 3) 136 Brady Street – Office/Retail Use, 4) 116 Locust Street - Microbrewery Project, 5) 404-420 Water Street - Restaurant Project, 6) Total Market Analysis for Residential Development, 7) Mill District Plan Development – Flood Plain Delineation, 8) North Street Redevelopment District Plan Development, 9) Post-Secondary Education Site in Allegan, 10) Revise Economic Development Plan, and 11) EPA Site Assessment Grant. Fred Jordan, supported by Rachel McKenzie, made a motion to approve the tasks as presented. Motion passed by acclamation.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00P. The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 6, 2016, at 12:00N

Respectfully Submitted,

**Robert Hillard
City Manager**