



CITY OF ALLEGAN
Economic Development Corporation
Griswold Auditorium
401 Hubbard Street, Allegan MI 49010
Wednesday, June 3, 2015

I. Call to Order

Chair Lovedia Stap called the meeting to order at 12:02

II. Attendance

Present: Craig vanMelle, Bruce Campbell, Sheila Dever, Lovedia Stap, Mike Walsh
Tim Perrigo (arrived at 12:04), Nora Balgoyen-Williams (arrived at 12:07) and
Marcia Wagner (arrived at 12:10)

Absent: Rachel McKenzie

Others

Present: Robert Hillard, Lori K. Vander Clay, Marcia Neigebauer, Cindy Thiele, Deb
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III. Approval of the Previous Minutes

Members received and reviewed the minutes from the May 6, 2015, meeting.

IV. Old Business

1. Research Post-Secondary Education Presence in Allegan – Gordon Wickens

Gordon Wickens and Robin Sterk from AAESA talked about the value of college and the Early College Program that will give a qualified student the ability to earn an Associate's Degree during high school through a partnership with Lake Michigan College in Benton Harbor.

2. Economic Development Administration CEDS Application – Biosolids Project

Robert Hillard explained there is a grant opportunity with the EDA. He would like the support of the Economic Development Corporation to place the project on their inventory list. Craig vanMelle, supported by Bruce Campbell, made a motion to support the submission of this project to the EDA. Motion carried.

V. New Business

VI. Minutes and Reports

The following reports were either provided-discussed or committee members were given an opportunity to ask questions.

*Positively Allegan (Rachel)

*Restructuring Committee (Craig, Mike)

*Aesthetics Committee (Bruce)

*Downtown Development Authority (Rachel)

*Planning Commission (Rob)

*Highland Business Park - Architectural Control Committee (Mike)

*Allegan Area Chamber of Commerce (Tim)

*Allegan County Economic Development Committee (Nora)

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:47pm. The next meeting will be Wednesday, July 1, 2015.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lori K. Vander Clay
Deputy City Clerk