

Harmony EDA Minutes

July 7, 2011
7:30 a.m.

Council Room
Community Center

Present: Chris Skaalen, Deb Scrabeck, Steve Donney, Roxanne Johnson, Steve Cremer
Present: Jerome Illg, Chris Giesen

Meeting was called to order 7:36 a.m. by Roxanne Johnson

Minutes

Motion by Cremer, seconded by Scrabeck to approve the minutes from June 8th. Motion carried.

Financials

Jerome gave an update on revolving loans. Past due loans were discussed.

Motion by Cremer, seconded by Skaalen to approve financials including the 3rd quarter 2011 CEDA bill for \$6,278. Motion carried.

Commercial Rehab Loan

Giesen presented a commercial rehab loan request from Wheeler's Bar. The requested program contribution was \$10,000; the total project cost was \$20,136.50. The eligible project costs were to add a front entry way and re-side the front of the building. Motion by Donney, second by Cremer to approve Wheeler's Bar's commercial rehabilitation loan request in the amount of \$10,000. Motion carried.

Chamber

Emily Ellis Nikoloski gave the chamber update. She reported that the 4th of July celebration had a great turn out and sold about \$1,900 in tickets. She said that other than a few minor adjustments for next year, this year was a success and that now the chamber would focus on the 2012 member drive. The EDA thanked Emily for all of her hard work on this year's 4th of July celebration.

Heritage Grove

Tim Trimble, Mark Dixon, and Kristie Kiehne were present to give an update on Heritage Grove.

Kristie gave the operations report. She said that the entryway work begin around the first part of August.

Tim reported that there is a group interested in purchasing the facility, but because of the current bond situation there would most likely have to be some type of "master lease" agreement set up. The consensus of the board was that this group should make an offer.

Board members questioned Mark and Tim about the budget going forward, including the wage increases earlier in the year. The hiring of a vendor to build a new website for Heritage Grove was also discussed. Discussion occurred on how the facility is best marketed.

It was also discussed that area discharge planners should be notified of the new services available at Heritage Grove.

Advertising

Giesen gave an update on the signage for the old elevator.

Prospects

Giesen discussed some prospects. It was discussed that the next programs the EDA develops should have a residential focus.

Cremer left at 9:00 a.m.

At 9:28 a.m. motion was made by Johnson to adjourn, seconded by Donney. Motion carried.