## MINUTES HARMONY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY Regular Meeting

May 1, 2025 7:30 A.M. Council Room Community Center

Present: Kerry Kingsley, Stuart Morem, Kyle Scheevel, Greg Schieber, Michael Himlie (virtually, via web cam)

Also Present: Alissa Stelpflug (City Administrator), Lorena Reichert (CEDA), Erica Thilges (Harmony Area Chamber of Commerce)

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:31 A.M. by Kerry Kingsley.

## **Minutes**

The board reviewed the minutes of the April 3, 2025 meeting. Motion by Schieber, second by Morem to approve the minutes of the meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Chamber of Commerce Report**

The Easter Egg Hunt Event was successful. It was the last event for the former director, Beth Weedman. Applications are still being accepted for the director position. Volunteers are being coordinated for the Visitor Center. Grand Marshalls for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July are Chris and Kandace Johnson. Posters for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July are being printed.

#### **Financial Reports and Claims**

The loan portfolio was reviewed. All payments are up to date.

#### **Prospects / Community Update**

Reichert is assisting in renewing the City's SAM number for federal awards. Reichert is also working with Greg Schieber on the paperwork for the most recent Downtown Revitalization Program Grant Awardee. Also, Reichert was out of the office two days in April and will make up those days on Tuesdays, May 13 and 27.

## Public Forum

None.

## **Industrial Park Pricing Discussion**

The map that Reichert prepared were reviewed. From the discussion, Reichert will prepare information for the next meeting on how the map layers from the county were created. Reichert will also check the pricing of industrial lots from comparable communities.

# Other Business – Bike Trail

There was a discussion on having a ribbon cutting ceremony when the biking trail is finished. Reichert will talk with Mark Bishop about having a ribbon cutting at the cave site. Thilges said that the Chamber would be happy to help organize. Parking and picnic tables would be available at the location.

Additionally, Stelpflug talked to Ron Greg from the County about bike trail related signage. The signs should be put in soon. There will be shared roadway signs as well as paint on the road with a stencil of a bike.

There was discussion that a "Miles to the Iowa Border" sign near the trailhead in town would be a good idea.

Hearing no objections, Kingsley adjourned the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:26 A.M.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for June 5, 2025 at 7:30 AM at the Community Center.