



EDC Board Minutes
January 19, 2016

Board Member Present:	Doug Olson	Board Members Not Present:	Tammy King-Crossley
	Ed Gallagher		
	Suzanne Weber		
	Mike Bever		
	Garry Bullard		
	Connie Green		
	Ray Sieler		
	Michele Bradley		
	Mark Labhart		
Staff Present:	Mike Cohen	Nan Devlin	Carla Lyman
	Susan Moreland	Amy Blackburn	
Public Present:	Gus Meyer	Justin Aufdermauer	Chuck Lennox
	Stephen Schlott		

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by 11:34 am by Chair Michele Bradley.

Consent Agenda

A motion to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2015 meeting as presented was made by Suzanne Weber and seconded by Ray Siler. The motion carried.

A motion to approve the financial reports was made by Suzanne Weber and seconded by Connie Green. The motion carried. A motion to appoint Nan Devlin and Mike Cohen as budget officers for their respective programs was made by Doug Olson and seconded by Ed Gallagher. The motion carried.

It was pointed out by accountant Amy Blackburn that issue of funds not being released by the County treasurer's office has not been resolved. Mark Labhart will investigate this further.

Reports

EDC Director Report

Mike Cohen reported on the following:

- The year-end report was sent out just prior to December 31, 2015.
- Tom Simonson of the USDA will be visiting on Wednesday, January 20, 2016. USDA provided the original grant money which established the Revolving Loan Fund (RLF).

- There are currently three (3) loan applications which will go before the Loan Approval Committee (LAC) on Monday, January 26, 2016 at 10 am.
- The Strategic Visioning Workshop is Thursday, January 21, 2016 beginning at 9:30 in room 102 at the TBCC Central Campus. Mary Bosch from Rural Development Initiatives (RDI) in Springfield will facilitated the workshop.
- The workshop survey link has been emailed and that survey need to be completed online by 5 pm January 19th to allow Mary enough time to compile the results and prepare the agenda for the workshop.
- Contact has been made with Chris Hood, project coordinator for the proposed golf course on the Boys Scouts of America land. They are proposing only an 18-hole golf course, not a resort. He will contact the office when they are the appropriate stage for EDC involvement.

Visit Tillamook Coast Director Report

Nan Devlin reported on the following:

- The discovery stage of the way finding tour is happening Tuesday through Thursday, January 19-21, 2016. Community meetings will be held, probably by June, once recommendations and design proposals are in hand.
- The facilities grant deadline was Friday, January 15th. 17 applications were received, requesting a total of \$1.3 million. The applications will now go to both county legal counsel as well as the EDC legal counsel for eligibility review on both statute and criteria. Presentations will be schedule at a Tourism Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting after the review is completed.

TAC Liaison Report

Doug Olson reported the following

- Mary Faith Bell's term on TAC expired December 31, 2015. A motion to reappoint Mary Faith Bell to the TAC was made by Suzanne Weber and seconded by Connie Green. The motion carried.
- Judson Randall resigned from TAC, effective immediately, at the January 18, 2016 meeting. Consensus of the board was to leave that position vacant until the end of the fiscal year, when the new Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) will go into effect.
- It was agreed that a thank to Judson Randall, as well as other TAC members, should be extended to acknowledge their contributions over the last two years. Nan Devlin will draft letters of thanks.
- A meeting on the new IGA will take place on February 11, 2016.
- The tentative agreement with the County includes the following division on Transient Lodging Tax (TLT) funds:
 - Of the 70% of TLT collected that must go to tourism 45% plus the allotment for marketing grants will go for marketing and promotions. This will be increased by 1% each year for the length of the five (5) year agreement, provided benchmarks are met. 56% will be retained by the County for facilities grants.
 - Benchmarks were already established by the Dennett Group, and that well happen again in September 2016.
 - Under the new IGA, transfer of funds should be automatic.

- A motion to appoint Doug Olson as EDC representation to the County work group on the new IGA was made by Ray Sieler and seconded by Connie Green. The motion carried.

Board Member Comments

Doug Olson announced that a town hall meeting is scheduled for February 23, 2016 to discuss the incorporation of Pacific City and also an enhanced sheriff patrol district.

Connie Green stated that after the strategic plan is established, the subcommittee felt community meetings regarding that strategic plan should be held in South, Central, and North County. Yearly meetings with key partners should also take place.

Suzanne Weber commented the four month water line project is underway.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:12 pm by Chair Michele Bradley.