Economic Development Board Meeting Minutes, September 11, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 p.m. Open meeting laws noted.

**Members Present:** Tom Shoemaker, Darcy Johnson, Derek Downer, Judy Jackson, Jan tenBensel, Logan Baker, Dave Custer

**Members Absent:** Randy Heitman, Jarod Albers

**Others Present:** Melissa Jackson

**Agenda Corrections or Additions:** Added Nebraska Life Magazine advertising and Southwest Nebraska College Career Fair

**Consent Approval of Financials/Invoices and Minutes and Bills:** Motion to approve the Minutes and Bills was made by Darcy Johnson, seconded by Judy Jackson. Motion carried.

**New Business:**
M Jackson gave an activities report to the Board.

Discussion was held on the Daniel Paisley Down Payment Assistance Program application. A motion was made by Darcy Johnson, seconded by Dave Custer, to approve the application. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Colt and Taylor Livingston Down Payment Assistance Program application. Logan Baker made motion, seconded by Derek Downer, to approve the application. Motion carried.

Discussion was held on the Amanda Smith Down Payment Assistance Program application. The application was tabled until further information is gathered about the intended use of the funds. If it is for a business, the Board will encourage Smith to resubmit for funding from the Revolving Loan Fund.

Discussion was held about the CPS façade grant application. The application was tabled until all the facts and dates are verified as to when the application process began for the grant.

Discussion was held about the Raburn façade grant application. A motion was made to approve the application, contingent upon acquiring a second bid. Motion was made by Darcy Johnson, seconded by Jan tenBensel. Motion carried.

The Board asked M Jackson to draft a letter in support of Trail 1 cabin owners, based on the economic impact those owners bring to Cambridge. The Board will develop a distribution list for the letter.
**Project Updates:**
M Jackson is to contact the City office to begin discussions about renting a lot in Harvest Meadows for Swishers to display equipment.

M Jackson to write a story about all summer interns for the Valley Voice.

Discussion was held about continuing Nebraska Life magazine advertising. Further details to come regarding redesign of the ad, and cost for Nebraska Traveler insertion.

The Board determined to not have a booth at the Southwest Nebraska College career fair.

ED Director job opening ad to be placed in the McCook Gazette and Kearney papers; boost Indeed ad $10/day.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 9, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:35 p.m.