

ELKO COUNTY ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION AUTHORITY

(ECEDA)

SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2006 AT 8:00 A.M.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND ANNUAL RETREAT

GREAT BASIN COLLEGE

HIGH TECH CENTER

PRESENT:

Elaine Barkdull

Charlie Myers

Glen Guttry

Be-Be Adams

Phyllis Peterson

Pax Kelly

Helen Hornbarger

David Hanson

Angela Hansen

Kim Abeyta

Mary Korpi

Greg Brorby

GUESTS:

Leroy Goodman, Nevada Commission on Economic Development

Norlene Wilson, Greenhouses and More

REPRESENTATIVE ABSENT:

Cashman Equipment

City of Carlin

Elko Daily Free Press

Great Basin Bank

UNR/Fire Science Academy

1. ECEDA Vice-Chairman Charlie Myers opened the meeting.

2. Public Comment Period - Executive Director Elaine Barkdull introduced Norlene Wilson, Greenhouses and More, as a candidate for the Business Retention and Expansion Program contracted position.

3. Approval of the March 17, 2006 Regular Meeting Minutes – The regular monthly Board meeting was held on March 17, 2006 at Great Basin College in Elko, Nevada.

4. Approval of Warrants for March/April 2006 - Executive Director Elaine Barkdull reviewed the warrants for March/April 2006. Elaine Barkdull explained that April was a heavy month for ECEDA expenditures. Grant monies were utilized during these months for the Carlin and Wells billboards, consulting fees for Railroad Industries, and registration for a project management professional training class in San Francisco.

Action Item – Phyllis Peterson motioned to approve the March Minutes and the March/April 2006 Warrants. Mary Korpi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2006-07 ECEDA PLANNING WORKSHOP

5. The Nevada Commission on Economic Development (NCED's) Vision for Rural Economic Development – Presented by Commissioner Leroy Goodman. Handouts of the presentation were provided to attendees.

6. Rural Economic Development in the 21st Century – Presented by Elaine Barkdull Executive Director. Handouts of the presentation were provided to attendees. Topics included:

- a. Honor the past by letting it go.
- b. Industrial Parks alone cannot attract new industry. We must offer opportunities.
- c. Product Development – Our Communities are our product.
- d. What site selectors are looking for?
- e. Economic Development is a team sport
- f. Regionalism is necessary for economic success.

7. ECEDA's Year in Review Presentation – Elaine Barkdull played a Power Point Presentation of ECEDA's accomplishments and successes in 2005 and 2006.

8. Review and Adopt 2006-07 Work Plan - Executive Director Elaine Barkdull and attendees discussed and outlined ECEDA's focus areas. The list below represents the focus areas decided on by the attendees. Final approval of these areas and committee assignment's will be approved at the next regular board meeting.

Projects Committee

- Railport
- Elko
- Carlin
- Wells
- New

Recruiting Committee

- Elko Plan
- Carlin Plan
- Wells Plan
- Elko County – Railport Plan

Workforce Committee

- Partner with Elko Area Chamber of Commerce
- Involve Great Basin College and Elko High School
- Regional Studies
- Speakers
- Participate with State

Business Retention and Expansion Committee

- Board Presentation
- Committee Development
- Contract Employee

Lobbying/Government Activities Task Group

- As needed

Infrastructure/Housing Committee

- Long-term planning

9. ECEDA Organization SWOT analysis – John Rice with Great Basin College and Executive Director Elaine Barkdull facilitated the SWOT analysis. The group was divided into 2 teams and 9 items were split between the teams. The Executive Director will follow-up with their suggestions and present them at the next board meeting for approval.

The next ECEDA Board Meeting was rescheduled from June 16th to 9:00 a.m. to June 23, 2006 in the Berg Hall Conference Room at Great Basin College in Elko, Nevada.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Abeyta
Office Manager