

Greenwood County Economic Development Council

Minutes of the May 15, 2013 Meeting

Ian called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. at the Eureka Studio in Eureka. Joe Beeman made a motion to accept the minutes as written with a second from Linda Snyder. Motion passed.

Present were Ian Martell, Joe Beeman, Linda Snyder, Dean Claycamp, Cindy Pereira and Anna Curry. We were pleased to have Bill Maness from Senator Moran's office and Zach Davidson and Shelley Packard from Congressman Pompeo's office also in attendance.

OLD BUSINESS

Cindy reported that the gifts to the graduating seniors were finished and delivered. Donating to the gifts were Linda Snyder, Ian Martell and Cindy Pereira. Ashley Bogle with the Branding Pot did an excellent job on the gifts.

Fabulous Finds on Highway 99 has kicked off and there was a meeting with participating counties in April. The deadline for purchasing ad space on the official event t-shirt is July 1. Information and forms can be found at www.greenwoodcounty.org or at www.findson99.com. This is the second year for the event which was a great success last year.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business discussed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Cindy reported that three of the students from the Kansas State School of Architecture will be moving to Eureka to start a new business on June 1. The program will be continued with a new group of students this year.

COMMUNITY REPORTS

Hamilton: Joe reported that he would be hosting an Open House on Saturday from 2 to 10 p.m. Linda said they've gone back to the drawing board for the new Senior Center and a group visited other projects in our area to get an idea of what others have done. The quotes they received were so different it was impossible to do a comparison. There will be a meal fundraiser for the Hamilton July 4th celebration on May 31st. The menu includes Mountain Oysters and Brisket.

Madison: Madison Days will be held June 7, 8 and 9.

Eureka: Eureka Days will be held on May 31 through June 2. An event returning to Eureka is a carnival by Lewellen Amusements which will be in town from June 13 through 15. The City of Eureka and the Eureka Foundation have demolished a number of blighted structures over the last few weeks. Shelley Packard noted that architectural salvage could be a good addition to the new business being started by

the students from K-State. Ian commented on the sale of the Random School house on eBay which brought \$7,400, which was about a \$7,000 return on investment!

Greenwood County: Anna reported that preparation for the County Fair is in full swing. The dates for the Fair are Friday, July 26 through Monday, July 29. The schedule for the Fair and a brochure for the Scavenger Hunt can be found under "Events" at greenwoodcounty.org. Cindy and Ian both talked about the problems that have been encountered with the C&D Landfill hours of operation and the efforts that were made to resolve those problems.

Project 17: Cindy and Bill both spoke about the Project 17 initiative and how beneficial it will be to our region. They both were in attendance at the first training session provided by the Kansas Leadership Center on civic leadership and urged everyone to sign up for one of the remaining sessions. The Kansas Leadership Center has committed to training 400 people in adaptive leadership and the next session will be in October. There is no charge for the training and lodging and food are also included at no charge.

JUNE MEETING

The next meeting will be on June 19 at 9:30 a.m. in Hamilton.

The meeting adjourned at 10:37 a.m.