

Eastern Montana Economic Development Authority  
Board of Commissioners Meeting

Wednesday, December 14, 2011

Members Present: Carson Beach, Karol Zachmann, Steve Zachmann, Tavis Renner, Brandon Schmidt, Mona Madler

Members Absent: Norton Walker, Pat Begley

November 9<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes were presented. Steve made a motion to accept the minutes as read; Carson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Financial Report was presented. No discussion held.

Old Business:

Zoning Change Progress – EMEDA is on the agenda of the December 19<sup>th</sup> Planning Board meeting for the Zoning Change hearing. All board members are encouraged to attend. Letters have gone out to surrounding neighbors informing them of the change request and the hearing date.

Tavis asked if EMEDA would be interested in putting in an rv/trailer park. Discussion was held regarding this idea.

Sale of Frontier Apartments Progress – The Buy/Sell agreement is being drafted at Begley Law Office by Darcy as requested by Varners. They are waiting for their LLC to be created. The sale will take place sometime in January.

The tenant in #101 has given notice of termination as of December 31<sup>st</sup>. Tenants in #105 would like to move into #101 at that time.

Vision Meeting – Scheduled for Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm at the Exhibit Hall. Kadramas Lee and Jackson would like to also conduct the Growth Policy's community meeting at that time. The Vision Meeting and Growth Policy will deal with similar issues. So as to not "over meet" the public, we will hold both meetings at the same time. Scott Pickett from KL&J will attend the next EMEDA meeting to discuss the agenda. EMEDA will present progress reports on the five identified subjects – City/County Collaboration, Beautification, Community Projects, Housing, and Planning/Zoning.

New Business:

Sheena Rice, Montana Organizing Project, is sponsoring a Housing Conference in April, 2012, in Baker. More information to follow as it is received.

For information – This office has received several requests for shop leases. This seems to be the next area of shortages.

Discussion was held regarding housing development in Fallon County. EMEDA will look into housing opportunities for employees of the school district, hospital, etc. Mona will also research the MCA's regarding Housing Authorities.

As there was no further business, Steve made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Carson seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.