

**NORTHEAST NEBRASKA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT - NENEDD
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2017 – 7:15 P.M.**

*City of Norfolk Offices – Training Room, 309 N 5th St, Norfolk, NE 68701
Boone County Economic Development Agency – 233 S 4th, Albion, NE 68620
City of Columbus Office – 1st Floor Conference Room, 2424 14th St, Columbus, NE 68601
City of Hartington Offices – Conference Room, 107 W. State St., Hartington, NE 68739
West Point Chamber of Commerce – 200 Anna Stalp Ave, West Point, NE 68788
City of Wayne – City Council Chambers, 306 Pearl St., Wayne, NE 68787*

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order:** The Northeast Nebraska Economic Development District (NENEDD) Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 7:41 p.m. by NENEDD Chairman Mayor Shannon Stuchlik. Mayor Shannon Stuchlik informed the public about the location of the Open Meetings Act LB 898 and that it is accessible to the public.
- II. Roll Call:** NENEDD Administrative Assistant, Danielle Lammers, read roll call.

Board Members Present:

Mayor Shannon Stuchlik, NENEDD Chairman, City of Pierce (Norfolk)
Dick Pfeil, NENEDD Secretary/Treasurer, Norfolk City Council (Norfolk)
Dan Kathol, NENEDD Board Member, Hartington Community Development Corporation (Hartington)
Ken Luettel, NENEDD Board Member, Boone County Commissioner (Albion)
Christian Ohl, NENEDD Board Member, Madison County Commissioner (Norfolk)
Jim McCarville, NENEDD Board Member, Northeast Community College (Norfolk)

Board Members Absent:

Gaylord Wilcox, NENEDD Vice Chairman, Howells
Rich Jablonski, NENEDD Board Member, City of Columbus
Scott Schaller, NENEDD Board Member, City of Fremont

Others Present:

David Gutshall, NENEDD Council of Officials Stanton County Commissioner (Norfolk)
John F. Lohr, NED, Inc. Board Member (Columbus)
Loren Kucera, NED, Inc. Board Member (Norfolk)
Nadine K. Hagedorn, NED, Inc. Board Member (West Point)
Brad Albers, NED, Inc. Board Member (Norfolk)
Nancy Braden, NED, Inc. Board Member (Wayne)
Tina Biteghe Bi Ndong, NED, Inc. Board Member (West Point)
Thomas L. Higginbotham, Jr., NENEDD (Norfolk)
Tina M. Engelbart, NENEDD (Norfolk)
Kristen Rosner, NENEDD (Norfolk)
Judy Joy, NENEDD (Norfolk)
Jeff Christensen, NENEDD (Norfolk)
Danielle Lammers, NENEDD (Norfolk)

III. Secretary's Report

A. Approve the February, 2017 Agenda and December, 2016 Minutes: Dick Pfeil made a motion to approve the February, 2017 agenda and the December, 2016 minutes. Christian Ohl seconded the motion. **Ayes:** Shannon Stuchlik, Dan Kathol, Ken Luettel, Christian Ohl, Jim McCarville, Dick Pfeil. **Nays:** None. **Absent:** Gaylord Wilcox, Rich Jablonski, and Scott Schaller. Motion carried.

IV. Treasurer's Report

A. December, 2016 and January, 2017 Treasurer's Report: NENEDD Fiscal Officer Kristen Rosner presented the report. Christian Ohl made a motion to approve the December, 2016 and January, 2017 Treasurer's Reports as presented. Jim McCarville seconded the motion. **Ayes:** Shannon Stuchlik, Dan Kathol, Ken Luettel, Christian Ohl, Jim McCarville, Dick Pfeil. **Nays:** None. **Absent:** Gaylord Wilcox, Rich Jablonski, and Scott Schaller. Motion carried.

V. Discussion Items

A. Quarterly Loan Review: NENEDD Fiscal Officer Kristen Rosner presented the NENEDD Quarterly Loan Review to the Board.

VI. Action Items

A. Addition Funding for Economic Development Administration (ADA) planning grant: NENEDD Director Thomas Higginbotham presented. NENEDD receives an annual (July 1 – June 30) EDA planning grant. In 2016, our base level funding is \$66,000. In 2017, EDA is able to increase the base level funding for all districts to \$70,000. EDA would like to amend our grant to include an additional \$4,000 in federal funds and corresponding match based on our 50% grant rate. Dick Pfeil made a motion to approve an additional \$4,000 of matching funds and authorizing the Executive Director and Board Chairman to sign and submit the required paper work. Jim McCarville seconded the motion. **Ayes:** Shannon Stuchlik, Dan Kathol, Ken Luettel, Christian Ohl, Jim McCarville, Dick Pfeil. **Nays:** None. **Absent:** Gaylord Wilcox, Rich Jablonski, and Scott Schaller. Motion carried.

VII. Chairman's/Board Comments – Thomas Higginbotham announced NENEDD Deputy Director, Tina Engelbart and himself will be attending the NADO Policy Conference in Washington D.C. March 18-23. They will update the board on their trip at the March Board meeting.

VIII. Next Meeting Date: The next NENEDD Board of Directors meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at 7:15 p.m. or following the NED, Inc. meeting. The meeting will be held by conference call. The call locations were publicized on 15, 2017.

IX. Adjournment: Christian Ohl made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dick Pfeil seconded the motion. **Ayes:** Shannon Stuchlik, Dan Kathol, Ken Luettel, Christian Ohl, Jim McCarville, Dick Pfeil. **Nays:** None. **Absent:** Gaylord Wilcox, Rich Jablonski, and Scott Schaller. Motion carried. NENEDD Chairman Mayor Shannon Stuchlik adjourned the meeting at 7:58 p.m.