

NORTHEAST ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, INC. – NED, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2021 – 7 P.M.

City of Norfolk Offices – Training Room, 309 N. 5th St., Norfolk, NE 68701
West Point Chamber of Commerce – 200 Anna Stalp Ave., West Point, NE 68788
City of Columbus Offices – 1st Floor Mayor’s Office, 2424 14th St., Columbus, NE 68601

MINUTES

I. Call to Order: The Northeast Economic Development, Inc. (NED, Inc.) Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by NED, Inc. President Brad Albers who informed the public about the location of the Open Meetings Act LB 898 and that it was accessible to the public.

II. Roll Call: NENEDD Planning & Administrative Assistant, Grace Petersen, read roll call.

Board Members Present:

Brad Albers, President, Business Owner (Norfolk)
Shannon Stuchlik, Vice President, Midwest Bank of Pierce (Norfolk)
Jerry Engdahl, Secretary/Treasurer, Platte County Supervisor (Columbus)
Rich Jablonski, Columbus City Council (Columbus)
Jim McCarville, Northeast Community College (Norfolk)

Board Members Absent:

Megan Weaver, Wakefield Progressive, Inc.

NENEDD Board Members Present:

Tina Biteghe Bi Ndong, West Point Chamber of Commerce (West Point); Judy Mutzenberger, Cuming County Supervisor (West Point); Gary Jackson, Norfolk City Council (Norfolk); Troy Uhlir, Madison County Commissioner (Norfolk); Charlie Bahr, Columbus City Council (Columbus); Sally Ganem, Fremont City Council (West Point); Blake Denton, MetLife Investment Management (West Point).

NENEDD Staff Present:

Thomas L. Higginbotham, Jr., Tina M. Engelbart, Jeff Christensen, Kristen Rosner, and Grace Petersen.

III. Introduction of Guests: Carl Pearson, Burt County Supervisor (West Point)

IV. Secretary’s Report

A. Consideration for approval of the October 27, 2021, agenda and the October 4, 2021, special board meeting minutes. Jim McCarville made a motion to approve the October 27, 2021, agenda and the October 4, 2021, special board meeting minutes. Shannon Stuchlik seconded that motion. **AYES:** Brad Albers, Shannon Stuchlik, Rich Jablonski, Jim McCarville, and Jerry Engdahl. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Megan Weaver. Motion carried.

V. Treasurer’s Report

A. Consideration for acceptance of the September 2021 Treasurer’s Report as presented. NENEDD Fiscal Officer Kristen Rosner presented the report. Brad Albers made a motion to accept the September 2021 Treasurer’s Report as presented. Rich Jablonski seconded the motion.

AYES: Brad Albers, Shannon Stuchlik, Rich Jablonski, Jim McCarville, and Jerry Engdahl.
NAYS: None. **ABSENT:** Megan Weaver. Motion carried.

VI. Action Items

A. Consideration to approve revised NED, Inc. HOME and NAHTF Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation (OOR) Program Guidelines. NENEDD Deputy Director Tina M. Engelbart presented. Per DED guidance, program guidelines should be reviewed annually and are required to include all items listed on the checklist they provide. Two revisions have been made to the most recent guidelines. They are: deletion of counties we no longer serve – Dakota, Washington, rural Douglas; and addition of a radon mitigation policy. Shannon Stuchlik made a motion to approve revised NED, Inc. HOME and NAHTF Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation (OOR) Program Guidelines. Jim McCarville seconded the motion. **AYES:** Brad Albers, Shannon Stuchlik, Rich Jablonski, Jim McCarville, and Jerry Engdahl. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Megan Weaver. Motion carried.

VII. President/Board Comments: None.

VIII. Next Meeting Date: The next NED, Inc. Board of Directors meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 17, 2021, at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held via conference call.

IX. Adjournment: Jim McCarville made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brad Albers seconded the motion. **AYES:** Brad Albers, Shannon Stuchlik, Rich Jablonski, Jim McCarville, and Jerry Engdahl. **NAYS:** None. **ABSENT:** Megan Weaver. Motion carried. NENEDD Executive Director Thomas L. Higginbotham, Jr. adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.