Minutes of Meeting Traill County Economic Development Commission June 12, 2014 7:00 p.m. Hatton Eielson Museum – Hatton, ND

Board of Directors present: Tom Eblen, Roxanne Phipps, Deb Kyllo and Gary Nysveen *Quorum was not met* **Also present**: Melissa Beach – Executive Director, Jessica Spaeth - Project Coordinator, Cole Short – Hillsboro Banner, and Jim Johnson – Traill County Tribune.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Director Eblen. It was determined that a quorum was not met.

Secretary's Report

Motion by Kyllo to accept May 15, 2014 minutes, seconded by Phipps. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Kyllo moved to accept May 15, 2014 treasurer's report, Phipps seconded. Motion carried. Motion by Phipps to approve payment of checks as submitted, Kyllo seconded. Motion carried.

Executive Report

Beach presented the monthly executive director's report as attached.

Unfinished Business

The natural gas conversation is ongoing. Companies recently expressed their continuing needs for natural gas.

The strategic plan was tabled.

Continued discussion on a housing study was covered in the director's report.

Organizational structure was discussed. Beach discussed exploring options to create another organization to run alongside the Job Development Authority. Options include forming a 501c3 or 501c6. The 501c6 option offers more flexibility. Beach will gather more concrete information from Stuart Larson.

New Business

Discussion regarding implementation of Dept. of Commerce Marketing Plan Grants and locations for business recruitment. Key markets include: Saskatchewan, Crookston, Thief River Falls, Moorhead, Fergus Falls and Alexandria.

Community Updates

Nysveen – Casey's General Store has a 6-12 week remodel planned. The liquor store, coolers and kitchen will be included in the remodel. The barber's shop moved to the Hillsboro Community Partnership building, which was recently purchased by Dallas & Michelle Hammond. Hillsboro Days is next weekend. Mayville Lions Summerfest is scheduled for the same time frame.

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Kyllo – Major construction at the college. Epic Nutrition doing well, they offer shakes and fitness classes. Street construction in Portland.

Phipps – Blue Line remodeling outside of business. The school is getting a new bus garage. Relay for Life was successful. Hatton Eielson Museum has many events scheduled throughout the summer. New storage facility next to the bank.

Eblen – County road projects have started. The elevator at the courthouse is running. Commissioners are touring Code 3 bridges on June 17.

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The next TCEDC meeting will be held on July 17, 2014.		
Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.		
Officer (printed name & office)	Signature	Date
Recording Secretary (printed name)	Signature	Date