

**Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting  
Trail County Economic Development Commission  
August 13, 2014  
8:30 a.m. Goose River Bank – Mayville, ND**

**Board of Directors present:** Deb Kylo, Gary Nysveen, Jay Henrickson, Scott Hovde, **Also present:** Melissa Beach – Executive Director, Jessica Spaeth - Project Coordinator and Jim Johnson – Trail County Tribune.

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am by chairman Hovde.

The housing study was discussed. A \$10,000 grant was approved to perform a housing study. As a recommendation to the board, Nysveen moved to approve up to \$7,000 toward study, in addition to help from Hillsboro, MayPort and Hatton, Henrickson seconded. Motion carried.

The organizational structure was discussed. After reviewing 501(c)3 vs. 501(c)6 differences, it was decided that a 501(c)6 best fit the needs of TCEDC. Beach presented two options:

Option 1: Donors/Investors

Option 2: County-wide Chamber-like organization

Motion by Henrickson to recommend option 1 to the full board, seconded by Kylo. Motion carried.

A discussion of services needed with partner agencies took place. The county is in need of assistance updating and maintaining their website. MPEDC is in need of assistance with their website and Facebook page. TCEDC may be able to offer assistance in the future.

Professional development was discussed. IEDC is having its annual conference in Fort Worth, TX, October 19-22, 2014. The cost of the conference and travel will be about \$2,626. There are funds available within the staff development and travel budget. A minimal amount of the budget was used for staff development in 2013. The committee felt the IEDC conference would be beneficial for Beach to attend. Beach discussed the Rural Leadership ND program. The cost is around \$4800 and starts at the end of 2015. Beach would like to nominate Spaeth to join

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

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