

Harding County Economic & Community Development Corporation

MINUTES

Tuesday ~ April 27, 2010 ~ 6:00 p.m. ~ USDA Center

President Bob Bachen called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m. Members attending were Shawn Jeffrey, Tuda Crews, Mario Gonzales and Bob Bachen. No action items were voted on as a Quorum was not present. (Bobby Casados arrived later to the meeting).

Approval of Agenda: The Agenda was reviewed and accepted

Approval of Minutes: The minutes (emailed earlier) required no corrections and shall be approved at the next meeting.

Correspondence: The Board commended Shaw Jeffrey for being selected as “Clerk of the Year” by the Municipal League. This is a huge honor and HCECDC is very proud of her.

Treasurer’s Report: Shaw Jeffrey passed out the Treasurer’s Report: it was discussed and will be approved at the next meeting.

Committee Reports:

1. **Amigos Bravos:** Tuda reported the Southern Plains Conference was an outstanding learning experience. “The Great Dust Bowl” was the topic and local foods were promoted. Mary Libby Campbell presented on a panel and did a great job. Mary will give a report on the Summer Internship program in May.
2. **Village of Mosquero:** Shawn reported the Village has paid \$1,000.00 on the May building. She announced there will be a reception in her honor at the Village office on May 7 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. and all are invited.
3. **Village of Roy:** Mario said he would request the “Clean-Up Your Act” program be put on the May agenda.

Old Business:

1. **HCECDC honored J&J Auctioneers with a Certificate of Appreciation as the Business of the Month. Joe and Jennie Boulware gave an impressive overview of their auction business. Tuda will create a poster and get it around the community.**
2. **ENMR Grant:** Shawn reported that HCECDC received the \$10,000.00 grant from ENMR and all members expressed appreciation for the support.
3. **Economic Development Ordinance:** Mayling, Elizabeth Davis and Marcos Gonzales met with Bob, Mary and Tuda and explained the broad meaning of the Economic Development Ordinance. LIDA has already been signed by the Co. Commissioners and we should ask them to pass the Arts & Cultural District part. It was agreed that Mayling would attend the May 13th Co. Commissioner’s meeting to explain the Economic Ordinance and answer questions.
4. **Mesa Theater:** Tuda reported the Commissioner’s must sign the application at the May 13th meeting and then it would be sent in.
5. **USDA building** – Have \$2600 for the few needed repairs and we need a flagpole
6. **Recognition of Community member:** no report
7. **Report on Community Appreciation Dinner:** no report

8. **“Clean Up Your Act” beautification event** – Shawn will head up for Mosquero and Mario for Roy and they will work together on the program.
9. Michael Chamberlain will present Endowment info at the May 25th meeting.
10. Mary Campbell was called to draw next month’s Business of the Month honoree and it is Jerry’s Welding from Mosquero.

New Business:

1. Solano Starlight Ballroom and the SolanoFest were discussed and members present expressed support for the county-wide events. It was suggested that a map be designed and sent out showing all the other things visitors could enjoy when they come to Harding County. This idea could be discussed with Pete Callahan.
2. Harding County Business Directory: J&J Auctioneers encouraged HCECDC to print a Harding County Business Directory. Both Villages would participate and contribute to the project. Bids for the printing job should be offered to both schools to try and keep the business in Harding County.

Public Input:

1. Bob Bachen announced the annual Horseshoeing Clinic from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on March 5th at Wagon Mound Ranch Supply in Solano.
2. It was announced the Northeastern NM Livestock Association would hold their annual noon Potluck meal and program/meeting with the NM Cattle Growers on May 2nd in Roy at the Community Building. Everyone was invited. A “Meet the Candidates” session would follow.

Next Meeting Date: May 25 at 6:00 p.m. at the USDA Center

Adjournment: Meeting and discussion ended at 7:35 p.m.