## MEETING MINUTES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE January 6, 2025

Members Present: Tammy Walrath, Warren Wagner, Steve Maier

Members Present by Conference: Sarah Koszarek

Members Excused: Thomas Bauknecht

Others Present: Angie Close, Keri Beck, Madison Taylor, Shannon Krimmer

Meeting was called to order by President Tammy Walrath at 4:00 pm.

**Public Comment: None** 

Minutes of Previous Economic Development Executive Committee Meeting: Motion by Wagner, second by Maier, to approve the minutes from November 4, 2024. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

## **Langlade County Economic Development Corporation:**

A. Fall ETP Business Plan Presentations: Two Fall 2024 ETP business plans were presented to be considered for the ETP Business Start Up Grant.

**B.** Recommend Business Plan Grant Award: Close informed the LCEDC Executive Committee that there is \$5,000 to be awarded for the Fall ETP Business Start Up Grants. The ETP Business Start Up Grant amount could be used for the WEDC Loan match.

Motion by Walrath, second by Maier to recommend to the LCEDC Board under the consent agenda to approve the Entrepreneurial Business Start-Up Grants to Creative Phoenix for \$2,500 and Sola Eclipse for \$2,500 contingent upon all requirements of the grant being met. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

C. Review and Approve payments of Bills for December 2024: Close reviewed the December 2024 LCEDC bills with the LCEDC Executive Committee.

Motion by Maier, second by Wagner to recommend to the LCEDC Board under the consent agenda to approve the December 2024 LCEDC invoices as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

D. Review Budget vs Actual and Year End Financials: Close reviewed the final 2024 budget vs actual with the LCEDC Executive Committee. LCEDC will put \$5,000 into the LCEDC Reserve Account from the general operating account for 2024. Information only.

E. Approve 2025 Suick Foundation Grant: Close informed the LCEDC Executive Committee that the Suick Family Foundation has awarded the LCEDC Entrepreneurial Program \$15,000 for the 2025 Entrepreneurial Programs and Entrepreneurial Start-Up Grants.

Motion by Koszarek, second by Maier to recommend to the LCEDC Board under the consent agenda to approve accepting the Suick Family Foundation Grant donation for the 2025 Entrepreneurs Program. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

F. LCEDC Revolving Loan Fund Update: Close updated LCEDC Executive Committee with the December 2024 LCEDC Loan Fund report. Antigo Take N Bake's approved RLF Loan closed.

G. Other Economic Development Corporation Activities: Close informed the LCEDC Executive Committee on the UW Extension's REV (Rural Entrepreneurial Venture) 3 Year Program. With the lack of snow so far this winter, LCEDC marketing efforts consists of planning for when the snow arrives and ice fishing. LCEDC has been contacted by one business so far looking for dollars to help with cash flow due to the lack of snow. Close has been in contact with Senator's Baldwin's office on the Winter Recreation Small Business Recovery Act and working with CWED on another loan possibility to help businesses effected. LCEDC staff will be attending Aldi's ribbon cutting.

Old Business: No old business was discussed.

**New Business and set date for next meeting:** No new business was brought forward. The next LCEDC Executive Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 3, 2025 at 4:00 pm.

Adjourn: Motion by Walrath, second by Wagner to adjourn at 5:39 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted, Keri Beck, Recording Secretary

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