Kendall County
Economic Development Committee

Meeting Minutes
Friday, December 28, 2012
Kendall County Board Room

Call to Order
The Economic Development Committee met at 8:30am and was called to order by Dan Koukol, Chairman of the Kendall County Economic Development Committee.

Roll Call
Members Present: Dan Koukol, Judy Gilmour, Lynn Cullick, Amy Cesich, and Matt Prochaska
Members Absent: None

Staff Present: John Sterrett, Economic Development & Special Projects Coordinator
Also Present: Lynn Dubajic, Executive Director of the Yorkville Economic Development Corporation

Approval of Agenda
Mr. Prochaska made a motion, seconded by Ms. Gilmour, to approve the agenda.

Approval of Minutes
Ms Cullick made a motion, seconded by Ms. Prochaska, to approve the November 16, 2012 meeting minutes.

New Business
Yorkville Economic Development Corporation Membership
Lynn Dubajic, Executive Director of the Yorkville Economic Development Corporation (YEDC) was present to give background to the YEDC organization and how it is funded from various taxing bodies and from private businesses. Kendall County is currently a member of the organization. The organization is a public/private partnership receiving the majority of funding from private businesses. The YEDC was created in 2000 to act as the marketing arm for the United City of Yorkville. Ms. Dubajic went through previous projects that have taken place throughout the years since the YEDC has been in existence. The YEDC strives to create a high quality of life for Yorkville and to create an economically viable community. Ms. Dubajic also commented on the latest project in Yorkville including a movie theater that will be constructed in February 2013 and completed in November 2013 which will result in 50 jobs.

Kendall County Community Economic Development Plan
Mr. Koukol went through the history and background of the Kendall County Economic Development Plan and recommended that all committee members read through the plan before the next meeting. Mr. Koukol went through some of the goals and objectives of the plan as well as the work plan included within overall plan.

Kendall County Economic Indicator Dashboard
Mr. Sterrett went through the Economic Indicator Dashboard report. The Committee recommended that this report be updated on a quarterly basis.

Kendall County Demographics Report
Mr. Sterrett went through the Demographics Report for the County. This report is updated on an annual basis when the Census release
Old Business
Illinois Economic Development Guide Update
Mr. Koukol gave an update on the Kendall County ad for the Illinois Economic Development Guide and Mr. Sterrett distributed a copy of the ad. The Illinois Economic Development Guide will be published in the spring of 2013. The County has already paid for the half of the total bill for the ad and will pay the remainder of the cost in the springtime. The Economic Development Guide will be distributed to site selectors, trade shows & meetings, medical care providers, utility companies, schools, corporations/hotels/airports, financial institutions, etc.

Update on Existing Loans
Mr. Koukol and Mr. Sterrett went through the existing loans. The Committee requested for next month a brief history of the previous loans that have been processed through the County. The Committee also suggested that an established process be put in place for applications with regards to what is considered to be part of the FOIA laws.

Chairman’s Report
Mr. Koukol discussed the Route 47 construction project and the funding available for the portion from Caton Farm Road to the south. This topic will be discussed in greater detail at the Highway Committee meeting.

Public Comment
None

Executive Committee
None

Adjournment
With no further business to discuss, Ms. Cesich moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ms. Cullick. There being no objection, the Economic Development Committee, at 10:00 a.m., adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
John H. Sterrett
Recording Secretary