

**APPROVED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD MINUTES**

**5:30 P.M.**

**May 13, 2013**

**CITY OF DERBY**

**611 MULBERRY, DERBY, KANSAS**

**ROLL CALL**

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

**LISA MOLING  
DURRELL KELLEY  
MARGARET FRITZLER  
DURRELL KELLEY  
DON HARRIS  
ANNDRIA OBEIRNE**

**CITY STAFF PRESENT:**

Allison Moeding

Janae' Springer

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

No one was present to speak for the public forum.

**RE: Election of Chairman/Vice Chairman**

MOTION: Margaret nominated Durrell as chairman, seconded by Don.

VOTE: 6 yea, 0 nay. Motion carried.

MOTION: Lisa nominated Don as vice chairman, seconded by Joanna.

VOTE: 6 yea, 0 nay. Motion carried.

**RE: Approval of minutes of April 8, 2013**

MOTION: Margaret moved to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Don

VOTE: 6 yea, 0 nay. Motion carried.

**RE: Economic Development Plan Brainstorming**

Allison provided the board with a listing of businesses in the MSA. She asked the board for suggestions on narrowing down our focus and choose a certain type of business to focus our efforts on.

The board discussed the following business types they suggested we focus on:

- Automation
- Health care/specialty care
- Composites
- Urgent care/emergency room
- Transportation/aviation
- Retail
- Call center
- Technical school

The board also discussed how to handle businesses that go out of business and abandon their buildings, for example, Charlie's Chicken.

Allison advised there are certain ordinances that we have in our municipal code that allow us to control some items, such as the height of the grass. We have had conversations in the past about a minimum property maintenance code. We try not to address individual issues; we try to look at things from more of a policy standpoint.

Durrel commented that it does not make sense for the city to cite someone for tall grass and not cite somebody for a building that is in the condition that Charlie's Chicken is in.

Allison suggested that maybe we work with the Planning Commission to strengthen some of our requirements for building maintenance.

Allison gave the board an update on the hotel proposal. She is still waiting on information from the applicant and it will hopefully be reviewed at the June meeting.

The first presentation for the TIF District to the city council was on April 23<sup>rd</sup> and the public hearing will be held on May 28<sup>th</sup>.

**RE: Chamber Update**

Thursday night is the Chairman's dinner. The city has 2 tickets available that their tables.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.