City of Lodi Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes of May 1, 2018

1. Call to Order.

Chair Tonn called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Committee Members Present: Rich Stevenson, Peter Tonn, Ann Groves-Lloyd

Committee Members Absent: None Staff Present: Julie Ostrander, Mayor Jim Ness Others: Nancy Long

- 2. **Selection of Committee Chair** Stevenson nominated Tonn as committee chair, second by Groves-Lloyd. There were no other nominations. Motion carried.
- 3. Public Input. Nancy Long the County Board District 27 Representative gave updates regarding the Columbia County Economic Development goals. City Representative Tonn is assigned to the CCED Board to assist in the decisions concerning Job Fairs, South Central Library and state funded labor initiatives. Tonn noted that the County has a greater legal expertise for projects and the necessary paperwork involved. He questioned the necessity of refurbishing the Wisconsin River railroad bridge when the train uses it only a couple times a week. Stevenson interjected that this bridge could be converted into a bike trail and could connect various arteries outlined in the Corridor Plan. Nancy believes sharing the road with bikes is a safety concern especially in the townships and supports route mapping projects.

4. Approve Minutes of the April 3, 2018 Meeting.

A motion to approve the minutes of the 4/03/2018 meeting was made by Stevenson, second by Groves-Lloyd. Motion carried.

5. Lodi Gateway Signs

- <u>Location of new sign</u> Mayor Ness reported on the continued discussions with Louis D. Mehltretter (right side of the road) on Hwy 113 entrance. The area was staked to define the placement of the sign. Next steps are discussion of easement will with the city's attorney and proposal passed on to Mehltretter for review.
- <u>Stone pillars</u> Mayor Ness is in the process of contacting brick layers for estimates for the stone pillar that support the new sign. The Public Works department will be installing the concrete base.
- **6. AAPR GRANT** Ostrander will discuss with MSA the concept of implementing the Spring Creek Parkway as defined in the Corridor Plan. Tonn believes this project would fit well in the public space section/great places for all people of all ages category.
- 7. <u>USDA Rural Development</u> Nothing to report
- 8. <u>CDBG –RLF</u> Nothing to report
- 9. City Revolving Loan Fund Nothing to report

10. Business Contacts

• Lodi/Lake Wisconsin Booklet: The Chamber of Commerce approached Ostrander to place contact information in the area flyer. Committee will pass on this opportunity.

11. Time and Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be scheduled for June 5, 2018 at 5:00pm at City Hall.

12. Adjourn

Motion by Groves-Lloyd, second by Stevenson to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:03 pm.

These minutes have not been approved.