

Sherburne County Economic Development Authority

Meeting Minutes

March 17, 2022

Members Present:

Ken Geroux  
Tim Dolan  
Laura Kangas  
Andy Voller  
Sheldon Pool  
Jared Johnson  
Felix Schmiesing

Staff Present:

Dan Weber  
Christina Kent  
Bruce Messelt

Others Present:

Marie Pflipsen, City of Becker; Heather Brooks, City of Princeton; Randy Piasecki, City of Zimmerman; Brent O'Neil, City of Elk River; Kelly Asche, Center for Rural Policy Development via WebEx

1. At 8:30 a.m. the meeting was called to order by Ken Geroux.
2. Motion by Tim Dolan to approve the EDA Meeting Agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Jared Johnson. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Motion by Jared Johnson to approve the Sherburne County Economic Development Authority Meeting Minutes of January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022, as presented. Motion seconded by Tim Dolan. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Impact of Minnesota's Farm Economy

Kelly Asche discussed the impact of Minnesota's Farm Economy focusing on Sherburne County.

5. City Development update

Randy Piasecki gave an update on developments within the City of Zimmerman and asked if the committee would consider writing a letter of support for the 169 Interchange 2022 RAISE Grant.

Motion by Felix Schmiesing to write a letter of support for the City of Zimmerman 169 Interchange 2022 RAISE Grant. Motion seconded by Tim Dolan. Motion carried unanimously.

6. County Business Lab Update

Dan Weber gave an update on the County Business Lab. 86 Coaching sessions have been provided with 48 businesses being served and 18 jobs created.

7. County Broadband Update

Dan Weber gave an update on current broadband projects within the county.

Dan Weber also handed out a copy of the EDA's current Strategic Plan to review for the April meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2022 at the Sherburne County Board Room.

Motion by Laura Kangas to adjourn the meeting at 9:22 a.m. Motion seconded by Jared Johnson.  
Motion carried unanimously.

  
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Laura Kangas, EDA Secretary