



Economic Development Commission- Cass County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

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Treasurer, Members-at-Large: - Kevin Anderson - Mark VanDusen - Sue Mikel - Edwin Johnson III -
David Kring - Jeff Nelson - Robert Parrish

MEETING AGENDA

ZOOM MEETING

November 25, 2020 – 8:30 a.m.

- I. Call to Order** – *Chairperson Leslie McClelland*
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Approval of Agenda**
- IV. Introductions**
- V. Public Comments**
- VI. Approval of Minutes**
 - a. July 22, 2020 meeting
- VII. Financial Report** – *Treasurer Rick Russwurm*
- VIII. Business**
 1. **Kinexus Update** – *Zach Morris and Mark O'Reilly*
 2. **Refresher of Township Assignments and Expectations**
 3. **Discussion – Funding Plan Post Kinexus**
- IX. New Business**
- XI. Adjournment**

Date Time: Sep 23, 2020 08:30 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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Oct 28, 2020 08:30 AM

Nov 25, 2020 08:30 AM

Dec 23, 2020 08:30 AM

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**County of Cass
Fund 243 Economic Development Corp
Financial Report**

Cash 10/1/2020 28,916.71

Revenue:

Interest Income (Year-to-Date Total)	YTD	0.00
		0.00
		0.00

Expenditures:

	0.00
	0.00
	0.00

		Beginning Cash	28,916.71
		Revenues	0.00
		Expenses	0.00
Ending Cash	10/31/2020		28,916.71
			28,916.71

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
MEETING MINUTES
KINCHELOE ROOM, CASS COUNTY BUILDING**

Date October 28, 2020

Time: 8:33 am

Board Members present: Kevin Anderson X, Roseann Marchetti X, Rick Russwurm X, Ron McAdam X, Leslie McClelland X, Mark Van Dusen X, Sue Mikel X, Edwin Johnson X, David Kring X, Jeff Nelson X, Robert Parrish X.

Also present: Administrator Jeff Carmen and Dave Allen.

Chairperson Leslie McClelland called the meeting by Zoom to order at 8:33 a.m.

Approval of the Agenda: Mark VanDusen moved for approval of the agenda, seconded by Rick Wusswurm and motion carried.

Introduction of Visitors: Leslie McClelland introduced Dave Allen of Midwest Energy and explained that we want MEC aware of what we are doing. MEC and the EDC want to do what's right for the County. Leslie asked if Dave would like to give his presentation immediately rather than wait for New Business. Accordingly Dave agreed and after telling us his background, delivered his presentation. The power point encompassed the Smart Park and the progress of fiber optics in the Community. Included in the presentation were total acreages of the park, interested prospects, potential for rail with Canadian National/Grand Trunk and future plans. After the presentation, Dave answered several questions posed by the EDC members.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes: Kevin Anderson moved for approval of the September 23, 2020, minutes, seconded by Mark VanDusen and motion carried.

Financial Report: Mark VanDusen moved to accept the financial report, seconded by Edwin Johnson III and motion carried.

New Business: MEC Industrial Park Development Update-given by Dave Allen earlier in the meeting.

Update on Township meetings attended by Board members: Some members commented on the Covid concerns in regard to township meetings. Edwin Johnson III said he will attend Calvin and Ron McAdam said he will attend LaGrange.

Discussion of funding post Kinexus: Leslie McClelland asked how the EDC is going to fund Kinexus once the 6 months is over. Mark O'Reilly and Zach Morris will join us at

the November meeting and so far we have not paid them anything. Discussion followed. Questions were asked. Is Kinexus responding as we would wish? The County has been our only funding source and we need other funding sources. Suggested were: MEC, College, Area Businesses, Lowe Center, city, villages and townships, CDBG funds. Private entities should be last. More discussion followed.

All business having been conducted, Robert Parrish moved to adjourn, seconded by Kevin Anderson and motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:50 am.

We attest the Board of Directors of the Cass County EDC has approved these minutes as the official minutes of the meeting recorded herein.

Leslie McClelland, Chairperson

Roseann Marchetti, Secretary



November Meeting Dates

<u>Townships</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>How</u>	<u>Boards & Commissions</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>How</u>
Calvin	11 th	6:00 p.m.	In Person	Cass District Library	16 th	7:00 p.m.	Zoom
Howard	17 th	7:00 p.m.	In Person	Economic Dev Corp	25 th	8:30 a.m.	Zoom
Jefferson	12 th	6:30 p.m.	Zoom	Historical Commission	12 th	5:00 p.m.	Zoom
LaGrange	16 th	7:00 p.m.	In Person	Medical Care Facility	23 rd	10:00 a.m.	In Person
Marcellus	17 th	6:00 p.m.	In Person	Parks Board	12 th	9:00 a.m.	In Person
Mason	10 th	7:00 p.m.	In Person	Planning Commission	25 th	4:00 p.m.	On Hiatus
Milton	10 th	7:00 p.m.	In Person	Road Commission	24 th	9:00 a.m.	Zoom
Newberg	9 th	7:00 p.m.	In Person	Transportation	9 th	8:00 a.m.	In Person
Ontwa	9 th	7:00 p.m.	Zoom	Woodlands	23 rd	4:00 p.m.	Zoom
Penn	9 th	6:30 p.m.	In Person				
Pokagon	11 th	7:00 p.m.	In Person				
Porter	10 th	7:00 p.m.	In Person				
Silver Creek	11 th	7:00 p.m.	Zoom				
Volinia	9 th	6:30 p.m.	In Person				
Wayne	2 nd	7:30 p.m.	In Person				
<u>City of Dowagiac</u>							
	9 th	7:00 p.m.	In Person				
	23 rd	7:00 p.m.	In Person				
<u>Villages</u>							
Cassopolis	9 th	6:30 p.m.	In Person				
Edwardsburg	16 th	7:00 p.m.	In Person				
Marcellus	3 rd	7:00 p.m.	In Person				
	17 th	7:00 p.m.	In Person				
Vandalia	9 th	7:00 p.m.	In Person				