

Keweenaw County
Economic Development Committee
February 3, 2010
Meeting Minutes

Meeting held at the Keweenaw County Courthouse was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Raymond Chase.

ROLL CALL: Present: Raymond Chase, John Sturos, Richard Schaefer, Ned Huwatschek, Donald Keith, Shari Chase, David Sundberg, Don Secor, Tom O'Callaghan, Darleen Huovinen

AGENDA: Motion by Schaefer, supported by S. Chase, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed.

MINUTES: Motion by Sturos, supported by Huwatschek, to approve the January 6, 2010, EDC Minutes as corrected. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Guest Speaker-Charlie Hopper, *Pasty.Net*: Grant submitted in 2009. Announcement of successful applicants scheduled for March, 2010. *Pasty.Net* grant application has been endorsed by the State of Michigan.
- Guest Speaker-Melissa Davis, *New Power Tour, Inc*: Updated EDC on the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge energy proposal utilizing a biomass-fed micro generation system. Will investigate funding availability for a Biomass Facilities Study. Will prepare a comprehensive assessment related to incorporating energy efficient applications at the KML. Compensation proposal will be prepared for March, 2010. *Keweenaw Mountain Lodge Proposal* on file in EDC office.
- Web Site Update: Don Secor – Photos by Charlie Eshbach are ready to be posted as an enhancement to the Keweenaw County Web Site. EDC recommendation to post photos in a seasonal sequence giving Eshbach artistic license to select photos. R. Chase will contact Lisa Karrio regarding guidelines for posting photos on the site.

NEW BUSINESS:

- KEWEENAW COUNTY PARKS & RECREATION PLAN: Jon Soper, Chairman, KC Planning Commission, updated the EDC on the Parks and Recreation Plan. Plan is being rewritten. A public hearing and approval of the Keweenaw County Board is required before the updated plan takes effect.

- KEWEENAW COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN: *Tabled to March, 2010 meeting.*
- BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY: David Sundberg - Contractors continue research to determine property ownership at Mt. Horace Greeley. USAF Base grants being investigated. Louisiana Pacific property remains under discussion.
- TRAILS REPORT: Raymond Chase – Information received from DNR. Anticipate designated ATV trails in Keweenaw County early in 2010.
- GRANT AVAILABILITY: Tom O’Callaghan – Researching small business grants. Will expand search focus.
- ALLOUEZ TOWNSHIP WASTE DISPOSAL PROPOSAL: Raymond Chase – Met with Kevin Gherna to discuss proposal. Recommendation to contact John Dodge for additional expertise.
- KC COURTHOUSE RENOVATION: Raymond Chase – Met with Richard Thomas to discuss compiling cost estimates for requisite renovations and energy efficiency upgrades. Estimates will be utilized in grant applications.

NEXT EDC MEETING: March 3, 2010, 6:30 P.M., Keweenaw County Courthouse

Motion to adjourn, David Sundberg, support Don Secor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

Darleen M. Huovinen

Minutes approved: March 3, 2010

