

Buffalo County Minutes

<u>Committee/Board:</u>	Economic Development Committee
<u>Date of Meeting:</u>	Thursday, May 16, 2019
<u>Electronic and Hard Copy Filing Date:</u>	Tuesday, July 2, 2019

Chair David Danzinger called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. in the Buffalo County 3rd Floor Board Room.

Board Members Present: James Ziegeweid, Don Black and Nettie Rosenow, and David Danzinger.

Others Present: Claire Waters, Sonya Hansen, David Schmidt, and Claire Lindstrom.

Public Comments Regarding Posted Agenda Items: None.

Minutes: Mr. Ziegeweid made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Ms. Rosenow. Carried.

Review/Discussion/Action ~ Claire Lindstrom - Business Development and Continuing Education Specialist Chippewa Valley Tech College. Ms. Lindstrom shared with the committee a number of different offerings provided by her institution.

Her presentation also covered the following areas:

More information on High School Academies, there are ones entrepreneurship.

<https://www.cvtc.edu/admissions/college-credit-opportunities-in-high-school/hs-academies>

Start College Now and Transcribed Credit:

<https://www.cvtc.edu/admissions/college-credit-opportunities-in-high-school#Start-College-Now>

<https://www.cvtc.edu/admissions/college-credit-opportunities-in-high-school#Transcribed-Credit>

Apprenticeships: <https://www.cvtc.edu/academics/apprenticeships>

Business and Industry Page: <https://www.cvtc.edu/continuing-education>

I also wanted to mention to you that Cochrane Fountain City School district is actually NOT in CVTC's District. If they were interested in any of these opportunities, we could work with them, but they would have to check with Western Technical College first and get their approval to move forward.

It was suggested that I David Schmidt contact the school districts and determine their interest in participating in these programs.

Review/Discussion/Action ~ Winona Connector Project update - There was much discussion concerning the bid opening for the project which is set for later this month. Nettie Rosenow discussed the efforts being taken by the Flyaway Trail association working directly with Crescendo on the fundraising portion of the trail system.

Review/ Buffalo County Rock Climbing Discussion update – David Schmidt indicated he was at a road block with the property owners and that we needed additional information concerning the actual ownership of the bluff properties. Nettie Rosenow indicated she would work with the county staff to determine what information is available.

Review/Discussion/Action ~ Broadband update – Chair David Danzinger and David Schmidt updated the Committee on the efforts moving forward on Broadband, which include two test projects to utilize the resources for HBCI, Cochrane Telephone and Riverland Energy Co-op to reach formerly underserved areas. Staff was also asked to communicate with Bug Tussel to determine the partnership opportunities.

Next Meeting Date and Time: The next meeting will be June 20th at 1:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Chair David Danzinger called for adjournment at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

David Schmidt,
Economic Development Director