

MINUTES

Board of Directors Meeting

City of Ames Economic Development

April 03, 2025

President Emmett Albro called the regular Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:00 PM at the City of Ames, City Hall Building.

Attendance

Roll call was taken and the following Directors were present:

President- Emmett Albro, Vice President -Reggie Rollins, Secretary-Giovanni Stewart, Directors Anthony Landry, Treasurer Jerry Reescano, and Barbra Lange.

Director-Eddie White (City Council) and John Bennett were absent.

Advisors Kimberly Kidd and Renell Strauss were absent.

No opening prayer.

Approval of Board Agenda

A motion was made by Vice Present Reggie Rollins to approve the agenda for the meeting. The motion was second by Secretary Giovanni Stewart, vote was taken, and the agenda was approved.

New Business

- A. EDC President resignation
- B. Appointment and vote to approve new EDC President

President Emmett Albro informed the board that he would be stepping down as the EDC President, due to his position conflicting with him being the judge for the City of Ames. He informed the board that as the President of the EDC it is a direct conflict with the state judicial committee. He is one hundred percent responsible for the court system and he can not be in another position that represents the City of Ames. So, if anything is not done

correctly in the city, it must be heard before the judge. He stated that those things would include matters with code enforcement all they way down to EDC matters. Treasurer Jerry Reescano stated that in most cases that the vice president normally takes over the position of president and asked if that would be the case in this matter. President Emmett Albro informed the board, that the newly elected president does not have to have a current seat on the board. He stated that he can appoint anyone that he wants, but the board will have to approve that person. President Emmett Albro recommended Kimberly Judge for the position. He told the board that she has a lot of experience and could move the board in the right direction.

Director Anthony Landry made a motion to accept President Emmett Albro's resignation. The motion was second by Secretary Giovanni Stewart, vote was taken, and Emmett Albro's resignation was accepted.

Vice President Reggie Rollins made to motion to appoint Kimberly Kidd as the new president of the EDC. The motion was second by Director Anthony Landry, vote was taken, and Kimberly Judge was voted into the position of president for the EDC. Vice President Reggie Rollins did confirm that the City Council had to approve the change. Emmett Albro stated that it would be done at the next council meeting. He reminded the board that on June 5, the health fair will be held at the catholic hall. He stated that Treasurer Jerry Reescano did secure the building.

All EDC proposals are confidential.

Reports

No Reports

Announcements

Secretary Giovanni Stewart will contact the Board members prior to the schedule meeting.

Next Meeting

April 24, 2025 @ 6:00 PM

Adjournment

6:15 PM-A motion was made by Director Anthony Landry to adjourn the meeting. The motion was second by Vice President Reggie Rollins, a vote was taken, and the meeting was adjourned.

The minutes dated April 03, 2025, have been read and approved by the EDC Board of Directors.

Giovanni Stewart, EDC Secretary

Date