*ECDC: Economic& Community Development Committee*

**Monday** February 11, 2019 5:00 PM

**Committee Members Present:** Chairman Don Griffin and Tom Mahoney.

**Absent:** Pat Donahue, Erin Folk, John VonTish, Terry Schuster, and Rebecca Hazzard.

**Also, present**: Mayor-Ken Williams and City Clerk- Charlene Ruthe.

Guest Robin Etnyre (potential ECDC member).

Chairman Don Griffin called the meeting to order. A quorum is not present so will start with Budget Report.

**Budget:** Terry was unable to attend however left copies of the revenue and expenditures for the ECDC Fund. Nothing new for expenses. If video gaming money continues to increase will have about eighteen thousand to transfer to ECDC fund. The question was asked why the watering of flowers was more. More pots of flowers have been to the downtown.

**Minutes:**  no quorum so can’t approve minutes.

**County Enterprise Zone:** Waiting for state approval.

**Ogle County Economic Development:**

Roger Hopkins and Chris Manheim will continue to try and get financial backing from financial institutions and businesses in the county.

**TIF District:** Merlin’s application is process.

**Riverfront Zone:** Nothing new to report.

**Website:** Possibly try to work with new Chamber Executive Director on a city calendar for events in the community.

**Mayor spread sheet:**

LOIS- It’s an ongoing project.

Business recruitment-Mayor and Terry will be looking for the proposal prepared by Roger Hopkins & Chris Manheim.

Street Scape downtown got grant approval for the engineering costs. Engineers are working on a grant to complete the project application to be turned in this fall and hopefully construction Spring 2020.

Franklin Street bid letting is February 2019.

On going discussions regarding City participation for a Chamber Cooperative agreement.

**Marketing Plan Update:**  Nothing new to report.

**Oregon Together:**  Will continue to have movie nights at Coliseum. Also have an event planned this month at Cork & Tap for dance lessons,

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm

Submitted by City Clerk Charlene Ruthe