

GRAND TRAVERSE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

January 12, 2023, Organizational Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Kevin Endres called the meeting to order at 8:03 AM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kevin Endres, Keef Morgan, Dennis Arouca, Mi Stanley, Merek Roman, Beth Friend

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jesse Wolff, Nate Alger, Gary Howe

OTHERS PRESENT: Chris Forsyth

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

MOVED by Morgan seconded by Arouca to approve the agenda as presented.
APPROVED, unanimously

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED by Arouca, seconded Flynn to approve the December 8, 2022 meeting minutes as presented.
APPROVED, unanimously

Members of the board introduced themselves.

REPORT/ACTION ITEMS:

- a) Memo regarding Organizational Meeting Tasks
Chris Forsyth discussed the memo provided in the packet and directed the board to take action on outlined items.
 - 1) Appoint Corporate Officers

MOVED by Flynn, seconded Roman to nominate Endres as Chair

Roll Call Vote

YAYS – Flynn, Friend, Endres, Morgan, Arouca, Roman

NAYS -

APPROVED unanimously

MOVED by Roman, seconded by Flynn to nominate Morgan as Vice Chair

Roll Call Vote

YAYS – Roman, Arouca, Morgan, Endres, Flynn, Friend

NAYS -

APPROVED unanimously

MOVED by Morgan, seconded by Endres to nominate Arouca as Secretary

Roll Call Vote

YAYS – Friend, Endres, Morgan, Arouca, Roman, Flynn

NAYS

APPROVED unanimously

MOVED by Flynn, seconded by Friend to nominate Roman as Treasurer

Roll Call Vote

YAYS – Flynn, Friend, Endres, Morgan, Arouca, Roman

NAYS

APPROVED unanimously

2) Set Meeting Schedule

MOVED by Friend, seconded by Morgan to approve the meeting schedule as the 2nd Thursday in January and the second Thursday in August.

Roll Call Vote

YAYS – Friend, Endres, Morgan, Arouca, Roman, Flynn

NAYS

APPROVED unanimously

3) Appoint 4th member to the Executive Committee

MOVED by Endres, seconded by Roman to appoint Mi Stanley as the 4th member of the Executive Committee.

Roll Call Vote

YAYS – Arouca, Roman, Flynn, Friend, Endres, Morgan

NAYS

APPROVED unanimously

Forsyth shared an overview of the EDC Strategic Plan

Arouca suggested providing a set of orientation documents, such as the EDC bylaws, the Traverse Connect Contract, and a background of the EDC board.

Forsyth stated he would be glad to put that together.

Arouca volunteered to help.

Forsyth further discussed the strategic plan and re-start of Northern Nexus

Friend suggested Forsyth provide a presentation to the MTA board for EPIC GT. Forsyth commented he would be willing to do that.

SECOND PUBLIC COMMENT (Refer to Rules under Public Comment/Input above)

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 AM