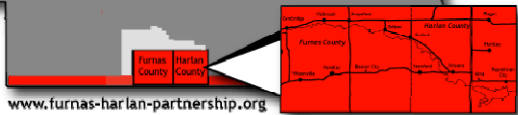


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Neal McInturf - Oxford

Tom Arnett - Orleans
Sandy Massey - Orleans

Don Tegtman - Furnas County

On Thursday, May 22, 2008, the Furnas-Harlan Partnership Board met at Mort's Lodge in Oxford. At 6:00 pm a tour was given of Thelma Bushnell's business known as Mort's lodge. Michelle Haag of Ampride catered the meal courtesy of Cargill.

The meeting was called to order by president Ken Becker at 7:00 pm. He offered his welcome and informed everyone about the Open Meetings Act. In attendance were board members: Jerry Meyerle, Holbrook-TVPPD, Dale Long – Holbrook, Todd Eichenberger, Arapahoe, Ken Becker, Beaver City, Neal McInturf, Oxford, Fran Thooft, Beaver City, Don Tegtman, Stamford – Furnas County, Rosie Stockton, Arapahoe, Coordinator/Director, and Sherry Glur, Oxford.

Jerry made a motion to approve minutes from the 4/24/08 meeting. Dale gave a second and was unanimously approved.

Reports and Announcements:

Todd mentioned that an Economic Development Coordinator for Arapahoe had been secured. The coordinator would begin duties beginning October, 2008.

Treasurer's Report:

Todd gave the financial statement to date. The checking account held \$10,815.40. CD No. 1 held \$5,235.14, CD No. 2 \$5,335.41 and CD No. 3 held 5,056.35. A motion was made by Fran and seconded by Don to approve the Treasurer's Report. It was unanimously approved.

Director's Report:

Rosie discussed the following topics: Promotion-Communication (Heritage Byway, New High Speed Internet Service in rural areas), Community Assistance (Orleans Fire Hall, Cardinal Project), Education (Leadership Plenty), Administration (F-H Partnership Audit and Reports), and Regional Activities (SPUCC and PK Youth Entrepreneurship Workshop).

Old Business

Discussion was held on the Leadership Plenty program and group health insurance. The group health insurance would serve as a Partnership umbrella for our community municipalities/organizations. More information would have to be developed before proceeding.

New Business:

Rosie discussed the need for a video camera. Dale made a motion to approve the purchase of a camera up to \$800.00. Jerry made a second and the board approved said purchase. Strategic planning was second on the agenda for discussion. Strategic planning would look at building relationships and networks, looking toward future partnerships for our communities, and improving all the partnership communities. Third for discussion was community assistance. This could be accomplished through resources grant writing and technical assistance. Last item for discussion was the budget, budgetary needs and fee structure on grant writing.

The next meeting will be held September 18, 2008 in Cambridge at Twin Valleys PPD.

The meeting was adjourned at approx. 9:15 pm due to severe weather.

Ken Becker, President

Sherry Glur, Secretary