

MINUTES

CEDS Committee

Meeting of April 9, 2003, 7:00pm
County Board Room
Galena, Illinois

Present: CEDS Committee Members
Bill Cowsert
Bill Wolter
David Jansen
David Ylinen
Doug Reidl
Steven McIntyre

Absent: CEDS Committee Members
Carolyn Fisher
Charles Loehr
Dan Leitzen
Daniel O' Keefe
Darryl Barklow
Don Schweihs
Jill Williams
Paula Fulton
Richard Reusch
William Wubben

Others Present:
Dale Roberts, President of Elizabeth
Don Fouts, Chairperson of CEDS Committee
Janet Anderson, Director of Economic Development and Planning
Tom Lauraitis, Trustee Apple River

Introductions: Don opened the meeting at 7:00pm

Roll Call: Don took roll call

Minutes Approved: Motion to approve the minutes for February 12, 2003 was made by Dave Jansen and 2nd by Steve McIntyre. Motion carried.

Agenda:
1) New Business- The Spring Business forum was discussed in that it will be an Agri-Business Forum tentatively slated for July 2, 2003. The emphasis of this forum is to draw attention to the challenges and

opportunities of those conducting Agricultural businesses in Jo Daviess County. Kristine Polo, Manager of the Farm Bureau approached Janet with some farming issues, and Janet said that she would be happy to put a forum together on this subject and would defer hosting of the event to Kristine with Janet's Participation. Detailed information will be provided as Janet progresses in the coordination and organization of the Forum.

2) Progress Report- Janet deferred the progress report to the Strategic Plan II. The Strategic plan sets a plan of action by taking all the discussions and insights offered by the community leaders who spoke on behalf of their community in the last 9 months.

3) Strategic Plan- An overview of page 5 of the Strategic plan that defines the steps was addressed by Janet. To begin the interaction, Janet referred to the four issues that may be considered projects. Some of these issues were addressed by some of the communities as challenges for them and echoed by some of the residents of those communities. Janet suggested that if these and or other issues stood out among the group, projects be derived and small groups be fragmented to take on each issue. During the following monthly CEDS meetings, updates and progress reports would be discussed by each team. As a group, support and direction would work everyone through the steps to completion of the project. Without saying steps taken to identify, resolve and act upon the issues would require the coordination and effort of others that may effect or be affected by the processes.

Good interaction took place without developing teams and taking on any particular issues at this time. Janet suggested we come back to the table again next month to readdress issues and develop project teams.

Other- Dave Ylinen invited the CEDS' committee to a luncheon at the LRA on May 20, 2003 for an overview of the anticipated and ongoing activities at the Depot.

Scheduled next meeting: **May 14, 2003** (7:00pm to 8:00pm)
Jo Daviess County Court House
County Board Room

Meeting adjourned: Motion to adjourn Dave Jansen
2nd Steve McIntyre