

Winnebago County Industrial Development Board

November 21, 2024, Meeting Minutes

David Albrecht Administration Building, Room 120 Susan Ertmer Conference Room
112 Otter Avenue, Oshkosh, WI

Board Members Present: Frank Frassetto (Board Chair), Tom Egan, Jon Doemel, Morris Cox, Amber Hoppa, Lucas Reinke, Logan Fuller

Board Members Excused: Nate Gustafson, Mary Anne Mueller, Colan Trembl, Sam Schroeder.

Others Present: Jerry Bougie, Brian Noe, Tricia Rathermel, Andrea Aurigue, Sean Fitzgerald, Julie Rosenau, Ellen Skerke(virtual)

- A. **Call to Order:** the meeting was called to order at 1 pm by Chair Frassetto.
- B. **Public Comments:** No public comments were made.
- C. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - 1. September 11, 2024: Motion was made by Tom Egan, seconded by Morris Cox to approve the IDB minutes of the September 11, 2024, meeting. Motion passed 6-0-1. Jon Doemel abstained.

D. Business Items:

- 1. Board Review and Action to adopt the Revised Winnebago County IDB Per Capita Grant Funding Program Policies and Procedures.

Chair Frassetto and Jerry Bougie provided an overview of the changes to the Program Policies resulting from the last meeting. Jon Doemel indicated he was pleased with the changes as presented. Logan Fuller said the changes to the Policies are good changes. Tom Egan said he appreciated the pursuit of extra funding for the program at County Board budget deliberations. Chair Frassetto said he appreciated the County Board support of the additional funding he sponsored. Morris Cox also appreciated the extra funding. Jon Doemel said this represents a good start and the County needs to get more intentional and supportive with Economic Development. Chair Frassetto indicated that return on investment is important to show the taxpayers. Morris Cox asked if there are any plans to increase the funding further - with Chair Frassetto indicating there are no plans at this time to increase the funding further. Other Board Members expressed support of the changes as presented. Additional discussion pursued. Motion was made by Jon Doemel to approve the revised Winnebago County IDB Per Capita Grant Funding Program Policies and Procedures as recommended. Logan Fuller seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously 7-0.

2. Board Review and Action to approve the proposed funding allocations to the local communities and to request their intent on utilizing or reallocating their funding shares for 2025.

Jerry Bougie summarized the allocations for 2025. He reported that with the increase in funding levels from the previous \$170,000 in 2024 to \$200,000 for 2025, the allocations will increase from \$1.00 per capita in 2024 to a little over \$1.16 per capita in 2025. He indicated that based on the updated program policies, communities can either use the funds themselves, reallocate their funding shares to another community or economic development entity in the county, or they may go in on a joint application with other communities. Based on suggestions from Board members, Jerry Bougie will establish in the correspondence to all local communities a deadline date for the middle of January to return the Statement of Intent with the expectation of the IDB addressing funding applications in later February or early March. Motion by Lucas Reinke to approve the funding allocations to the local communities as presented and to send out the Statements of Intent to the local communities requesting their intent on utilizing or reallocating their funding shares for 2025. Motion seconded by Jon Doemel. Motion passed unanimously 7-0.

- E. **Next Meeting Date:** the IDB members will be contacted at a later date to establish the next meeting.
- F. **Adjourn:** Motion was made by Lucas Reinke to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Morris Cox. Motion passed unanimously 7-0. Meeting adjourned at 1:40 pm.

Submitted by,

Jerry Bougie, Recording Secretary