

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
July 5, 2011

In Attendance: Councilperson Hardman, Councilman O'Riley, Mr. Morgan, director of the Pulaski County Economic Development, Executive Assistant Sandy Willis,

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:03 pm by Chairman Hardman.

Chairman Hardman informed the committee of the sad news of the sudden death of Councilperson Cordry's son in law and sent regards to the family.

1. **ESTABLISH GOALS FOR THE YEAR:** Chairperson Hardman reminded the committee of the suggested goals for the New Year:

- a. Continue Commercial Development focus
- b. Planning the Laughlin Parking Lot
- c. Begin Tree Replacement project on Rt 66
- d. Complete the Roubidoux Bridge and Safe Routes to Schools Sidewalk Project

Councilman O'Riley made a motion, seconded by Chairman Hardman, to accept the goals as stated. Vote was unanimous.

2. **UPDATES:** Chairman Hardman announced that the "Third Thursday" committee has decided to cancel the "Third Thursday" event. The reason for this was a) running out of space for vendors. B) Safety issues. C). complaints concerning parking. D). not enough people to do all the paperwork and "behind the scene" work. The group is planning to hold events at a later date perhaps on a Saturday.

Mr. Morgan reported on the Joint Land Use Study. Fort Leonard Wood has reported of its desire to expand to incorporate more ranges and testing areas and possible night activities. The land study would give the Army a "road map" for expansion and would bring out any conflicts of interest. The office of Economic Justice has applied for a \$200,000.00 grant. The Economic department is asking the surrounding communities (St. Robert, Waynesville, and Pulaski County) to support this study by supplying the 10%, \$20,000.00 match. Mr. Harrill entered the meeting at 5:15 pm. Mr. Harrill stated that this support would be budgeted over a two year time frame. Chairman Hardman and Councilman O'Riley suggested proposing support for this study to the City Council.

Chairman Hardman updated the committee on the purchase of the Laughlin/Garzelli parking lot. The City Clerk is getting the paperwork in order. Mr. Harrill informed the committee of the meeting with CM Archer Group on Friday, July 8, 2011 at 10:00 am to discuss the SRTS and Bridge projects.

Chairperson Hardman made a motion, seconded by Councilman O'Riley, to adjourn for the purpose of an Executive Closed Session – Real Estate pursuant to Missouri Law Chapter 610.021.

Meeting adjourned by Chairperson Hardman at 5:46 pm
Next Meeting August 2, 2011