Geary Economic Development Authority Minutes of Meeting: Monday, April 18, 2016 Meeting Place: City Hall—Geary, OK

Agenda Item 1 and 2 -Call to Order and Roll Call

A regular scheduled meeting was held on Monday, April 18, 2016 at City Hall.

Jim called the meeting to order at 7:17pm. Members present were Jim Shelton, Brent Williams, Todd Glasgow, Vonda Base and Crystal Briscoe. Leslie Swinerton arrived at 7:20pm; Gene Ellison arrived at 7:22pm and Eric Cowan at 7:30pm.

Guests present were Ray Vincent, Fred Bingham, Lois Nofsinger, and Elesha Bingham.

Agenda Item 3-Hearing from the Public

Lois Nofsinger asked the following question. Dos the GEDA still receive money from the City? If not, what will the GEDA accomplish or be able to do? The Authority responds that they still have funds left in their account to be used and hopes the City reinstates the funds soon.

Agenda Item 4-Minutes & Financial Report

- 1.Crystal read the minutes from the March meeting; Todd made a motion to accept as read, Leslie second the motion. All were in favor.
- 2.Crystal gave the Financial Report. Eric made the motion to accept as read, Jim second the motion. All were in favor.

Agenda Item 5-Update/Discuss/Take Action on Authority owned properties

Todd met with contractors with Construction Management Systems. They went over the Broadway properties to evaluate if the buildings could be salvaged. These contractors stated the buildings are not worth saving. There is too much water damage and problems with the structural integrity of the properties to renovate. The Authority discusses ways to go about receiving bids for demolition. Eric asks members if they know of anyone who would be interested in tearing down this property to bring bids to the next meeting.

Agenda Item 6-Other Business/New Business

Crystal states she spoke with Cutting Edge Signs in El Reno regarding signage for businesses. This company produced the sign for Millers Market. A sign of this nature will run \$1200-1800. The Authority will begin making a list of businesses that are interested in signs. Purchasing a large "welcome sign" similar to what El Reno has was also discussed.

The top 5 potential businesses desired in Geary were discussed. The top business needed is a grocery store or specifically a business with meat and produce. The next on the list is a doctor or urgent care facility. Others listed were service type businesses such as lawyer, electricians, plumbers, tire shop, and a lumberyard. The idea of a hotel/motel at the 108 exit is also mentioned. The Authority will be working on a plan to help draw one or more of these businesses to Geary.

Brent has a contact of someone interested in putting a business in the former lumberyard. Crystal or Ray will get him the contact information of the owner. Leslie will talk to Bobby about the contact Brent gave him on interest in a grocery store.

Agenda Item 7-Executive Session

The Authority did not go into Executive Session.

Agenda Item 8-New Business

See Item 6

Agenda Item 9-Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm with Eric making the motion and Leslie second the motion. All were in favor.