Geary Economic Development Authority Minutes of Meeting: Monday, October 19, 2015 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, October 19, 2015 at City Hall. Eric called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. Members present were Eric Cowan, Crystal Briscoe, Bobby Allen, Leslie Swinerton, Jim Shelton, and Brent Williams. Guests were Ray Vincent, Fred Bingham, Jay Clark, Elisha Bingham, Linda Bingham Lois Nofsinger, and Deann Mahoney.

## **Agenda Item 3**

Hearing from the Public—Lois Nofsinger asked to speak to the Authority. She asked why is the Authority now holding an executive session. Eric explains we must protect the interest of potential businesses.

# Agenda Item 4

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

# Agenda Item 5 – Update on properties acquired by Authority

No Action taken on properties owned by the Authority.

#### Agenda Item 6

- A. The Authority held a discussion on ways to potentially support/assist current businesses. The Authority would like suggestions on retention of current businesses and ways to advertise or promote them as well. Eric suggests that members of the Authority each have an idea on how to help current business owners and/or attract new business.
- B. Other Business-Crystal asked Leslie and Bobby for a contact of someone in the corporate office of Family Dollar, regarding the concern of the new store running out of certain "high need" items. The concern is patrons going elsewhere for their shopping needs if Family Dollar continues to be out of things. We want to support this store in every way possible.

### **Agenda Item 7-Executive Session**

A & B- Eric made the motion, seconded by Crystal to move into Executive Session at 7:52 p.m. Inviting Ray Vincent to join them for the purpose of A. Conferring on matters pertaining to economic development, including the transfer of property, financing, or the creation of a proposal to entice a business to remain or to locate within the development for products or services or if public disclosure would violate the confidentiality of the business. (25 Oklahoma Statutes, Section 307 (b) (10)) and B. to discuss the purchase or appraisal of real property. (25 OS Section 307 (b) (3). All were in favor.

- C. Bobby made the motion, seconded by Leslie to return to open session at 8:58 p.m. All members were in favor.
- D. No action was taken on assistance for potential business opportunities.
- E. No action taken on purchase, transfer or selling of property.