

**Anaconda Deer Lodge County
Economic Development Board Meeting Minutes
November 9, 2022
5:30 PM
Community Service Center, 3rd floor Conference Rm**

I. Call to Order 5:37 PM

EDB Members Present: District 3 Commissioner Kevin Hart, Anaconda County Local Development Executive Director Adam Vauthier, ADLC CEO Bill Everett, ADLC Planning Director Carl Hamming, Chairman John Stoppler, and Pat Gallagher

EDB Members Absent: Kristy McKay, District 1 Commissioner Terry Vermeire, Colleen Riley

Members of the Public: Rose Nyman

II. Approval of Minutes from the Economic Development Board Meeting of July 13, 2022

Motion made by Pat Gallagher to approve the minutes from the EDB Meeting held on July 13, 2022, without corrections. Motion seconded by Carl Hamming.

Motion Carried: None opposed.

Public Comment:

Rose Nyman asked when and where are the meeting minutes posted?

Adam Vauthier answered that they are posted to the ADLC website, but that he will get them posted promptly to comply with the five-business day rule.

III. Unfinished Business

None

IV. New Business

A. Steelhead Garage Doors – New Addition

At this time the board may discuss and take action to recommend funding to the ADLC Commission.

ADLC CEO Bill Everett provided an overview of Alex Duman's request regarding his recent expansion and commitment to further expanding the business. Mr. Everett also touched about Mr. Duman's outstanding commitment to creating well-paying jobs in Anaconda-Deer Lodge County.

Alex Duman, owner of Steelhead Garage Doors, explained that the business is doing very well with 10 current employees who are averaging \$25/hour. Mr. Duman has

recently committed to manufacturing the hardware that goes along with the garage doors, so he is constructing another building. He has committed spending 250k for the new building (6,000 sq. ft) and is requesting a 10% grant from the Economic Development Board and ADLC Commission.

The Board briefly discussed the financials with outstanding commitments for Murdoch's and the nonprofit skatepark.

Rose Nyman asked if the Board had a policy about funding projects that are already constructed. The Board discussed recent examples of reimbursing development projects after recent completion (S&N Concrete).

Motion made by Pat Gallagher to recommending funding to the ADLC Commission for \$25,000 grant. Motion seconded by Commissioner Hart.

Motion Carried: None opposed.

V. Miscellaneous

VI. Public Comment: This is the time for the public to comment on items **NOT** appearing on the agenda that fall **within the board's jurisdiction.**

None.

VII. Next Meeting TBD

VIII. Adjournment 5:56 PM