

**Board Minutes Summary of the
Martin County EDA
Special Meeting
July 9, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Martin County Economic Development Authority was called to order by Brent Schultze at 5:15pm. Those present were Elliot Belgard, Steve Fosness, Tim Terfehr, and Dan Schmidtke, and Larry Baarts. Also Rod Halverson KSUM/KFMC radio.

Motion by Dan Schmidtke, seconded by Elliot Belgard to approve the agenda as presented. Carried unanimously.

Schultze introduced request for financial contributions in the amount for proposed broadband improvement in the Fairmont Industrial Park.

The board discussed why there is a need to consider funding this request for MidCo given the Border to Border grant awarded to Martin County and our partnership with Frontier Communications. It was noted that there appears to be a lack of progress with Frontier. Terfehr commented that we need to get an update from a Frontier representative on their progress and plans. Rod Halverson commented that the discussion at the FEDA meeting indicated a need for redundancy in networks and to provide an alternative to Frontier.

Motion by Dan Schmidtke, seconded by Tim Terfehr, to approve the request for a \$5,000 financial contribution for broadband improvement in the Fairmont Industrial Park. Carried unanimously.

Schultze introduced the Bills to be paid for June 5, 2018-July 9, 2018 and were reviewed by the Board. After review,

Motion by Elliot Belgard, seconded by Steve Fosness to approve and ratify the payment of bills as presented for June 5, 2018-July 9, 2018 in the amount of \$6,809.49. Carried unanimously.

Schultze reviewed the reports included in the board packets, which included March 1, 2018 MAPCED meeting minutes.

The next board meeting is scheduled for August 6, 2018 at 5:15pm at the Courthouse.

With no further business to wit,

Motion by Steve Fosness, seconded by Larry Baarts to adjourn the meeting. Carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:28 pm.

Brent Schultze, Board President

Larry Baarts, Board Secretary/Treasurer