

**Board Meeting Minutes of the Martin County EDA**  
**March 3, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Martin County Economic Development Authority was called to order by Wes Anderson at 5:15pm. Those present were: Wes Anderson, Tim Terfehr, Richard Koons, and Billeye Rabbe. Also, present were Amber Patten, Celia Simpson, Macey Becker, Scott Higgins, and Fairmont Sentinel.

**Agenda**

Motion by Terfehr, and seconded by Rabbe to approve the agenda as presented.  
Carried unanimously

**Minutes**

Motion by Rabbe, and seconded by Terfehr to approve the minutes from February 3, 2025 as presented.  
Carried unanimously

**Old Business**

In May 2023, Bevcomm was awarded a Martin County Broadband Partnership grant up to \$71,879 in eligible expenses as part of a broadband development project in Granada. Simpson contacted Bevcomm for itemized invoices to verify costs. They provided invoices, reviewed by Simpson, showing total project costs of \$273, 674.17 Per grant agreement, Bevcomm is eligible for \$71,879. Motion by Koons, seconded by Rabbe approve payment of \$71,879 to Bevcomm.  
Carried unanimously

**EDA Activity Report**

Simpson, Becker and Patten reviewed the February EDA Monthly Activity Report.

**New Business**

Kandi Menne from the Fairmont Area Chamber presented to the EDA Board regarding Area Career Exploration (ACE) Fair and requested event sponsorship. Menne also spoke about the Leadership Program. Motion by Terfehr, seconded by Rabbe to approve the \$2,000 for ACE and \$1,000 for Leadership Program.  
Carried unanimously

George Eilertson and Gina Fiorini from Northland Securities presented to educate the EDA Board on Lease Revenue Bonds as they relate to the Martin County Justice Center project and the EDA's involvement. Discussion ensued. No action was taken.

Simpson presented to the EDA Board the 2024 Annual Report. Upon approval, the EDA staff will present an Annual Report to County Commissioners. Motion by Koons, seconded by Terfehr to approve 2024 Annual Report.  
Carried unanimously

Patten presented and requested approval to apply to participate in the MHP SW Housing Institute. Motion by Terfehr, seconded by Rabbe to approve application for MHP SW Housing Institute.  
Carried unanimously

**Approval of Bills**

Higgins reviewed February bills with the Board

Motion by Rabbe, and seconded by Terfehr to approve the bills as presented. Contingent of Bevcomm paperwork.

Carried unanimously

**Year to Date Financial Report**

Higgins reviewed the CY2025 year to date financial report with the Board.

Motion by Rabbe, and seconded by Terfehr to approve CY2025 Financial Report.

Carried unanimously

**Open Discussion**

None

**Adjournment**

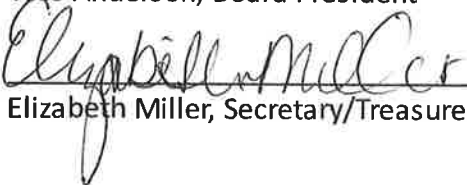
With no further business to wit,

Motion by Terfehr, and a seconded by Lytle to adjourn the meeting

Carried unanimously

The board meeting of the Martin County EDA was adjourned at 6:30pm.

  
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Wes Anderson, Board President

  
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Elizabeth Miller, Secretary/Treasurer