

Minutes- 5th Monday Meeting
Meade County Economic Development
April 29, 2024

Jamie Boese, Meade County Economic Development Director, opened the meeting by asking everyone to introduce themselves. Present were Jamie Boese, Clay Kuhns, Janna Frydendall, Tim Milford, Carrie Sutterfield, Eddie Pippitt, Debbie Pippitt, Amber Eckert, Gayle Brock, Janis Brock, Dean Cordes, Roberto Holguin, Lance DeLissa, Mitch Brenner, Brian Kroth, and Janet Gleason.

The meeting began with a video presentation of information about the Kansas Infrastructure Hub. Phyllis Wahahrockah-Tasi presented information on how to navigate the website and the various types of grant funding that is available. Technical assistance is available to identify what types of funding opportunities might fit our communities as well as in completing the applications.

DeLissa asked if there were funds available for improving community through demolition of blighted properties and Cordes asked if there were funds available for upgrades to the power plant engines. She was not aware of any specifically but indicated she could check into the possibility.

After the presentation Boese asked the communities present to share things that are happening in their communities and any challenges they are facing.

Brock presented updates on things happening in Fowler and the grants Fowler has received. He stressed the importance of having a community committee to assist in the process determining needs, applying for grants, and monitoring of grant funds received.

Boese noted that she has a map of all three communities which identifies the dilapidated properties. This information is necessary for any grants involving housing improvement grants.

Cordes presented information regarding areas of improvement Meade is working on and the grants received for some of those projects.

Boese noted that it is important for communities to work together and that assistance from Economic Development is available for all cities in Meade County. She would like to continue either a 5th Monday meeting or a quarterly meeting for the three cities to meet.

Council President

Attest:

Clerk