

Emery County Economic Opportunity (CEO) Board

Meeting Minutes

August 12th, 2024 @ 3:00 p.m.

Emery County Courthouse, Commission Conference Room
75 East Main Street, Castle Dale, Utah 84513

In Attendance:

Board Members: Nicole Steele, Commissioner Jordan Leonard, Brock Johansen (virtual),
Patsy Stoddard, Laren Huntsman

Others: Natalie Olsen

Meeting called to order at 3:35 pm.

1. Welcome - Nicole Steele

Nicole Steele welcomed everyone to the Emery County Economic Opportunity Board meeting.

2. Discuss/Approve/Deny - County Economic Opportunity Board Meeting August 12th, 2024 Minutes

Patsy had some corrections to the minutes.

Patsy made a motion to approve the minutes with a second from Commissioner Leonard. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Discuss/Approve/Deny - Ratify Email Vote for Annual Report and Letter Signature

Ren Hatt Made a motion to approve the signature with a second from Laren Huntsman. Voting was unanimous.

4. Discuss/Approve/Deny - FY2025 Rural County Grant-Emery County Economic Development Projects:

Jr Entrepreneur Program: \$10,000.00

Grant capture management: \$20,000.00

Business Improvement Grant Program: \$115,000.00

Economic Development Personnel: \$55,000.00

Ren talked about supporting EpiCenter. They have some projects that they are working on and will take up quite a bit of their time so if someone could reach out to them and see if that is something they would be interested in.

This is not a small project. There is money being spent and we have no resources to go out and capture those. Do we think we need to throw some money into an Economic Development Director? We need someone recruiting for the county.

No one knows the grant money available. Someone has to be the head hunter for the grants out there and then go to the businesses and let them know about what is out there.

Commissioner Leonard said he is interested in the grant capture. There are a lot of people in Green River that don't know what is out there.

5. Other Business:

Next meeting date: November 6th @ 3:00 pm. Natalie will send a calendar reminder and invite.

6. Adjourn

Laren made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:24 pm. The motion was seconded by Ren . The vote was unanimous.

Board Chair Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ **Date:** _____