

**Norman County EDA
Meeting Minutes
May 3, 2018 | 5:15 pm
Ada Area Event Center**

Members present: LeAnn Hall, John Hintz, Curt Johannsen, Karie Kirschbaum, James Leiman, and Jessica Spaeth.

Also present: County Attorney James Brue.

Chair Kirschbaum called the meeting to order at 5:28 pm.

The bylaws were reviewed. Hintz moved to approve the bylaws as presented, Hall seconded. Motion carried. Brue, Hintz, and Kirschbaum will present bylaws and budget at the Norman County Commission meeting on May 8 for approval.

Level set expectations were discussed. The group also discussed grant sources and upcoming opportunities to market the EDA.

Each member shared their motivation for being a member of Norman County EDA.

- Johannsen – communication, recreation
- Spaeth – marketing, promotion, grant opportunities
- Hall – tourism, networking
- Leiman – forward momentum
- Brue – jobs, housing
- Kirschbaum – marketing, advertising

Leiman discussed grant strategy – begin with funding from the county.

Rani Bhattacharyya, University of Minnesota, will meet with the group May 22, 2018 at 7pm in the Ada Area Event Center to discuss future opportunities.

Subsequent meetings will be held the fourth Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 26, 2018 at 7 pm in the Ada Area Event Center.

Hall will research per diem and mileage for members attending the NC EDA meetings.

Johannsen moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm, seconded by Hintz. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Spaeth
Acting Secretary