ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES May 9, 2017 Waverly City Hall – Council Chambers 7:00 a.m.

A. Call to Order

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1.	Voting Members Present:	Deb Schroeder, Chairperson Brittney Diercks Gary Grace Gene Lieb Troy Miller Ann Rathe
	Voting Members Absent:	Steve Egli, Vice Chairperson Mark Hanawalt Tammy McKenzie
	Non-Voting Partners Present:	Jim Atty, Waverly Health Center Chuck Infelt, Mayor Ed Klamfoth, W-SR Schools Dan McKenzie, City Council Liaison Heidi Solheim, Waverly Health Center Darrel Wenzel, Waverly Utilities
	Non-Voting Partners Absent:	Linda Allen, Hawkeye Community College Darrel Colson, Wartburg Travis Toliver, Waverly Chamber
	Staff Present:	James Bronner, City Administrator Bill Werger, Economic Development Director
	Staff Absent:	Connie Tolan, Economic Development Specialist

2. Approval of Agenda:

Motion By:LiebSeconded By:RatheMove that the agenda be approved as printed.Yes:6No:0Absent:3

3. Approval of Previous Minutes:

Motion By: Rathe Seconded By: Miller Move that the minutes of the March 14, 2017 Economic Development Commission Meeting be approved. Yes: 6 No: 0 Absent: 3

B. Regular Business

1. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Presentation

Werger presented and led a discussion on the 2017 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy that was created by Jacob Tjaden with INRCOG. The presentation was based off the region's SWOT analyses. 2. Bremer Avenue Updates

Werger provided updates on the Bremer Avenue Project. Updates will be provided on KWAY, City website and City Facebook.

C. Mayor's Roundtable Discussion

Mayor led a roundtable discussion on where Waverly is moving as a town. Waverly has had a difficult time keeping the college graduates, but once they are married or have started a family, Waverly is an attractive place to live. Waverly has a hard time competing for the young college graduate, so some employers have found it best hire and train the youth.

Waverly is making housing progress with the new variety of housing units being built although low income housing is still needed. The housing market did not have their usual slow down. Nurses and CNA's are needed especially at Bartels partly due to the lack of affordable housing.

Education professional and nonprofessional staff and applications are down, but the number of students enrolled should be increasing within the next four years. Waverly Utilities telecommunications continue to grow as they will hit their 1 year mark of their fiber optic roll out in July. Overall Waverly is a great town.

D. Old Business

None

E. New Business

None

F. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at 7:00 a.m. in the Civic Center at Waverly City Hall.

G. Adjournment

The Economic Development Commission meeting was adjourned.