Keweenaw County Economic Development Committee November 4, 2015 Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m.by Chair Peg Kauppi.

Members present: Peg Kauppi, Don Secor, Jill Protzel, Don Piche, John Sturos, and Ned Huwatschek.

Member(s) absent: Sam Raymond

The November meeting agenda was approved with a motion by Ned Huwatschek, seconded by John Sturos. All in favor. Motion carried.

Minutes of the October 7, 2015 meeting were read and approved with a motion by Don Secor, seconded by Ned Huwatschek. All in favor. Motion carried.

Guest Speaker(s) - none

Old Business –

KC Communications Infrastructure: Don Secor's cell tower report was distributed and discussed. Peg Kauppi will be meeting with Gina Nicholas tomorrow to discuss next steps.

KC Marketing: Peg Kauppi reported that CHIA advertising is currently working on winter advertising. She also stated that she and Karen Karl of CHIA Advertising will be going to a conference on Target Market Analysis at the CCISD next Monday.

Planning Commission: Ned Huwatschek reported that the Planning Commission is overwhelmed with building permits all over the county and area contractors are very busy. This means more tax dollars will be coming in for the county.

Keweenaw County Board of Commissioners: Don Piche reported that Kim Stoker completed an MSEDC grant for the county to assess the value of the Keweenaw Mountain Lodge. The county board needs an official appraisal and a best use study to move forward.

New Business:

Don Piche asked for Renewal of Membership for Two Year terms on the EDC for Peg Kauppi, Don Secor, Jill Protzel, John Sturos, and Ned Huwatschek. All agreed. Sam Raymond's membership is not in need of renewal yet. The EDC is currently short one member. Don Piche will look into the requirements for the committee membership.

There will be no December meeting for the EDC. The next meeting will be held on January 6th, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Keweenaw County Courthouse.

Public Comment: none

On a motion by Peg Kauppi, seconded by Don Secor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m. All in favor. Motion passed.