Economic Development Board meeting
December 6, 2012

Present: Dickrell, Meissner, Michalski, Sennholz, Wagner, Wolf, Hendler
Absent: None
Others: Steve Barg, Amy Krogman, Jason Angell, Karen Olson, Denise Sonneman, Keith Strey, Mary James-Mork

Sennholz called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. in Room 108 of the City Hall Plaza.

Approve minutes – November 1st, November 7th, and November 29th
Motion by Michalski, second by Wagner to approve the November 1st, November 7th, and November 29th minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Conflicts of interest
No members indicated that they had a conflict of interest with anything on the agenda.

Citizens comments
Sennholz invited comments from citizens, but no one spoke at this time.

Update on economic development activities
Olson reported a workforce recruitment group is looking at housing in the community. Mary James-Mork stated a comprehensive housing survey should be completed for the community.

Sonneman reported there are several new businesses opening in January. In addition, two new businesses opened in December. Bows and Board building will be an interior design and home décor business.

Angell reported Prevention Genetics held their groundbreaking. The revolving loan fund had six applications this year with two more currently open. The façade program applications and documents have been updated. Applications will be accepted after the 1st of the year.

Review and consider approval of proposed 2013 MEDA budget
Karen Olson presented the 2013 MEDA budget. The committee discussed the budget and where the money was spent.

Motion by Wagner, second by Hendler to approve the 2013 MEDA budget. Motion carried.

Hendler requested that this committee sit down with Main Street Marshfield, MEDA, CDA, and the Planning Department to develop benchmarks. Barg suggested forming a subcommittee to develop the benchmarks and bring it back to the whole committee.

Discuss policy for use of funds from former local revolving fund
This item was held over for the January meeting.

Announce date/time for next Board meeting
Sennholz announced that the next regular Board meeting will be on Thursday, January 3rd at 3:00 p.m. at Marshfield City Hall.

With no further business before the Board, Wolf moved and Dickrell seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion carried. Sennholz declared the meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Amy Krogman, Administrative Secretary