

NORTHERN NEXUS
Grand Traverse Region Next Michigan Development Corporation (NMDC)

May 26, 2016

Vice-Chair Haas called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers located in the Governmental Center, 400 Boardman Avenue, Traverse City, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Brian Haas, Bob Johnson, Chuck Korn, Patrick Pahl

EXCUSED: Glen Lile

STAFF PRESENT: John Sych

OTHERS PRESENT: Marty Colburn, Dave Mikowski

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Pahl, seconded by Johnson to approve the January 28, 2016 NMDC minutes as presented. **Approved unanimously.**

APPROVAL OF ANNUAL MEETING SCHEDULE

Moved by Johnson, seconded by Pahl to approve the 2016 NMDC meeting schedule. **Approved unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT/INPUT

None

REPORTS/Receive and File Communications:

Economic Development Update

Sych introduced David Mikowski who is an economic development consultant for the County. An overview of recent economic development activities was presented by Sych and Mikowski. Discussion was on the need for high-speed fiber optic in Traverse City to stimulate the growth of technology companies and how communities can provide improved economic development services, including customer service and outlining flow charts for development approvals.

2015 ANNUAL REPORT

Moved by Korn, seconded by Pahl to approve the 2015 Annual Report. **Approved unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT/INPUT

None

NOTICES

Sych mentioned the monthly TCNewTech meetings held at ECCO in downtown Traverse City.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

Chuck Korn, Chair