

Quad City Enterprise Zone Management Board Minutes

For the Meeting Held

January 10, 2019 at 2 p.m.

Bi-State Regional Commission Conference Room

1504 Third Ave. Rock Island, IL

Board Members Present:

Josh Boudi, Rock Island County Rep.

Darin Girdler, East Moline Rep.

Jim Grafton, Silvis Rep.

Mark Hunt, Milan Rep., QCEZMB Board Chairman

Doug Maxeiner, Moline Rep., Zone Administrator

Others Present

Denise Bulat, Bi-State Regional Commission

Ray Forsythe, City of Moline,

Todd Green, City of Moline,

Chris Mathias, City of Moline,

1. Review minutes of the November 29th Meeting

Mr. Maxeiner motioned to accept the minutes as presented. Mr. Grafton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

2. Update on the status of the 1st and 2nd amendments to the QCEZ

Mr. Forsythe reported that the amended zone was approved by the State Dec. 28, 2018. Paper and digital files of the zone certification are on file at the City of Moline.

3. Report on exemption certificates issued January 2nd through January 9th

Mr. Mathias reported that approximately 22 certificates have been issues to date. No fees have been collected yet, but Moline is setting up a billing system to track and collect fees. Mr. Boudi asked if Moline staff would be able to produce a spreadsheet of certificates and outcomes as had been previously done under the old zone. Mr. Mathias confirmed that such records would be available.

4. Project updates by community members – any new projects anticipated for 2019

Silvis and Milan representatives both reported potential projects requiring a zone boundary could materialize this summer. Mr. Green noted that Moline's website has an interactive map of the zone that could be helpful in determining if projects are located within the zone. Mr. Forsythe notified the committee that Global Communities is conducting a project that will help the zone with attracting minority businesses and other diverse populations.

5. Report on property tax exemptions filed with Rock Island County from the previous EZ (Please be able to verify if they will continue or if there is an expiration on them).

A spreadsheet showing current exemptions was distributed. All exemptions were located in East Moline. Mr. Boudi and Mr. Girdler agreed to look further into the existing exemptions in East Moline. Mr. Girdler mentioned that all of the exemptions were prior to his tenure with East Moline.

6. Discussion of By-Laws

Mr. Hunt provided the committee with a set of draft by-laws. Mr. Maxeiner requested the by-laws contain statements regarding executive session, and disbanding procedures. Mr. Forsythe asked for clarification on attendance. Mr. Hunt noted he would like to see more wording regarding term for the board members. Mr. hunt agreed to continue working on the by-laws and present a new draft at the next meeting.

7. Public Comment

None.

8. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m. on a motion by Maxeiner and second by Boudi. All present voted in favor of adjournment.