

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
HEPPNER CITY HALL, 111 N. MAIN STREET, HEPPNER, OR
AUGUST 28, 2024 AT 7:00 PM**

ATTENDEES:

**Corey Sweeney
Ian Murray
Joe Armato
Chris Sykes
John Doherty**

Absent: Phil Sanfiorenzo

Members of the Public: None

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance.

The August 28, 2024 meeting of the City of Heppner Economic Development Committee was called to order at 7:00 PM by Corey Sweeney.

2. Old Business

a. Review Core Focus Groups and discussion

John spoke or met with three individuals about either property development or selling an unoccupied property. Will reach out to more property owners over the next month.

John and Kim Worked on filling out the variance forms for the Chase Street properties so there will probably be an October Planning Commission meeting. She would like to start construction this fall.

Will hopefully get some grants from Business Oregon and Clean Drinking Water for the Cross Hill Project, but everything is very preliminary at this point.

Morrow County moved the Weed Dept. to the shop on Linden Way, so that building is finally occupied.

Work continues with finding a new location for Heppner Daycare. They must have land secured and a plan to apply for Grants. Finding land has been the biggest roadblock.

Work is still ongoing for the Mini Golf Course. They have design plans and are researching contractors.

3. New Business

a. Open Discussion

Corey Sweeney attended meetings regarding the energy companies that are coming to the county. They would need temporary housing for approximately 400 people. Now that the Circuit Courthouse will not be going at the POM property, if it is possible could they put in some temporary RV spaces? Work continues on the floodway project at the property.

The next meeting will be on September 25th at 7:00 PM.

4. Adjournment at 7:47