

Sweetser Economic Redevelopment Commission

March 27, 2014

Call to order at 6:00 pm

In Attendance: Richard Gamble, Chuck Drain, Chuck Briede, Travis LeMaster, Steve Kelly

We reviewed the past discussions of the Sweetser Redevelopment Area and methods of capturing tax dollars for use.

Chuck B. asked the members where we should plan to use the money from the TIF when it begins to come in.

Chuck D. Suggested that we ask local farmers if they would be willing to sell if potential developers were looking at property surrounding the Town of Sweetser.

Steve Brock spoke on the creation of the Towns TIF and reviewed the redevelopment plan. He also asked if we had any interested parties in developing.

Travis stated that he had had few inquiries into small business startups such as a coffee shop on 18 which hasn't started. He also said that the lack of available property for sale in the downtown area doesn't help.

Steve Brock said that most businesses would also look for the town to provide the water service instead of being on a well. He also said that it wouldn't be a bad idea if the Town was able to provide water to a small section of town (explicitly for the use of industry) and then at a later time cover the entire town.

In response to Chuck B. earlier question on how to use the money from the TIF, Travis suggested that it go to infrastructure such as roads, sidewalks storm water and sewer repairs.

Chuck B. asked all members to think on how to spur housing development?

Meeting adjourned at 6:50pm

