

Meeker County Economic Development Authority
Annual Meeting
Thursday January 8, 2026 @ 5:30 pm
Meeker County State Highway Building Breakroom
Litchfield, Minnesota

Present: Butch Schmeling, Mark Smith, Jason McCoy, Joe Kuechle, Darren Sombke, Steve Schmitt, Terri Boese, Brent Bengtson, Kim Dolan via Zoom, Consultant Graphenteen & Chris Loew.

Absent: all present

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by President Steve Schmitt

Public comment: no one present.

M/S Bengtson/Boese to approve the agenda. Motion Carried

M/S Smith/Schmeling to approve the November 13, 2025, meeting minutes. Motion carried.

M/S Boese/Bengtson to approve the November & December 2025 financial summaries. Motion carried.

M/S Smith/Kuechle to approve paying the 2026 MCIT Insurance Invoice for \$2280. Motion carried.

M/S Boese/Schmeling to approve setting the Treasurers Bond at \$100,000. Motion carried

M/S Smith/Schmeling to approve setting the 2026 Directors stipend at \$75.00. Motion carried

M/S Kuechle/Schmeling to approve the 2026 list of Depositories. Motion carried

M/S Smith/McCoy to approve the Litchfield Rail as the EDA's official newspaper. Motion carried

M/S Kuechle/Smith to approve the slate of officers as listed:

President – Steve Schmitt
Vice President – Kim Dolan
Treasurer – Brent Bengtson
Secretary – Chris Loew

UPDATES:

- Consultant Graphenteen – reviewed her activity report for Nov & Dec 2025 and discussed any new & upcoming activities.
- Admin Asst. Loew – updated board on last 2 months of office activities
- Board members shared their community happenings.

Misc - board members completed, signed & turned in their Conflict-of-Interest forms

M/S Boese/Bengtson to approve adjourning the meeting 6:05 pm. Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted by
Chris Loew, Secretary