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Economic Development Commission

Meeting Agenda

February 11, 2026 - 6 p.m.

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Minutes – January 14, 2026
5. Old Business
 - Dog Park
6. New Business
7. Other Business
8. Announcements
9. Next Meeting: March 11, 2026 6pm
10. Adjournment

**Economic
Development
Commission Members**

PJ Parsons

Dinah Kinney

Anne Bussiere – Chair
Pro Tem

Wiley Moore

Guy Borgford - Chair

Town Council Liaison

Stephanie Semro

**Town of Concrete
Economic Development Commission
January 14, 2026**

Call Meeting to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Economic Commission Members: PJ Parsons, Dinah Kinney, Anne Bussiere, Wiley Moore (Zoom) and Guy Borgford.

Liaison: Stephanie Semro.

Audience Members Present: Mayor Jeremy Akers

Audience Members Online: Councilmember Bellinger.

Staff Present: Deputy Clerk Heather Parker.

Minutes: November 12, 2025: Wiley made a motion to approve the minutes. PJ seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business: Guy reviewed the old business items. He stated he is not sure if there is an update on the bike park or not, but that project was discussed at the last meeting.

He stated they also talked about coordination between EDC, Council, and Mayor and getting everyone better aligned with what they are working on. He stated his perception were things they tried to do last year were not met as a priority by the Council.

He stated they also discussed the Superior Building and got the discussion moving forward on that.

Mayor Akers stated public works has started working on cleaning up the inside and are scraping and pressure washing the outside to prep it for paint. He also discussed the plan for the windows and the entrance door.

PJ suggested that they work with the HPLC or DAHP to make sure any improvements are staying within the historical guidelines. Guy asked if paperwork has been started to get it on the historical register yet. Mayor Akers stated that he believes Val has started it, but she is on vacation, so he is not sure how far in the process she is.

Wiley stated that along with the windows, he has personally been inside that building and has seen the entrance door and stated he believes the door is more important than the windows. He stated it is historic and should be coveted. Wiley also suggested taking pictures now and moving forward to track the progress.

Wiley stated he would like to talk about the dog park. He stated that he believes he has a great plan but wants to know what the town's plan is for the shops up town. Councilmember Semro

stated that she believes the plan is to keep those buildings but to fix them up. She stated the town did not receive the grant funding but there is somebody that may be willing to donate funds. Discussion ensued on having a barrier between the dog park and the houses in that area. Councilmember Bellinger stated there are 7 dog wood trees that were donated that should be here by the end of this week. She stated she also ordered ocean spray shrubs and red flowering currants for that area too but those will not be available until March. She stated She needs to know where the property line is and where the fence is going to go. She also stated there is some brush removal that needs to occur as well.

Discussion ensued on the unopen right-of-way in that area, that could be used. Wiley stated on the north side of the park, is property owned by PSE and there are powerlines with brush and an old toilet the town should see about PSE cleaning up. It was stated the lines are also low in that area. Wiley stated the town property could also be cleaned up since its just a dumping ground for their gravel and rocks.

Mayor Akers stated that he will find out about the funding for the dog park. PJ and Guy both stated they will update the estimate they had completed previously. PJ stated she believes the estimate for the fencing was around \$7,000 but there were also benches, signage and other items. Wiley stated he will collaborate with Councilmember Bellinger on the design. It was stated this will all be brought back to the next EDC meeting before taking it to the Council.

Election of Chair and Chair Pro-tem: Wiley made a motion for Guy to remain as Chair and for Anne to remain as Chair Pro-tem. PJ seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business: 2025 Review and 2026 Focus: Guy stated he had this on the agenda so they can discuss what went well and what did not go well in 2025 and then do a high-level discussion on things to work on for 2026.

Guy stated it was a long year. He stated that he believes they made good progress last year and had really good discussion and meetings. He stated there is a lot of potential in this town.

Anne stated although the EDC bringing up the Superior Building started with some controversy, it ended up being a good thing and after all of the discussion it got people motivated and involved and things are moving forward.

Wiley stated the PSE car chargers were awarded in 2025 and will be installed in 2026 and that will bring revenue to the town.

Dinah stated there was a lesson learned with the Superior Building and that when they discuss certain ideas, they need to do their research before proceeding.

PJ stated there was a lot of miscommunication and misinformation surrounding the Superior Building She discussed different things that were brought to her and the corrected information she had to provide. She stated that people need to be better about communicating.

Discussion ensued on only being allowed 3 minutes to speak at Council meetings. There were

also questions on how people who are outside of town limits could sign up to receive the quarterly newsletter. Heather stated that anyone can send her an email to request they are added to the list.

Wiley stated communication is important. He stated anyone can also sign up to receive text messages from the town as well.

Other Business: PJ discussed the idea that Terry had brought up about putting benches around the trees on Main Street in the Town Center. She also stated there are 2 open positions on the HPLC if anyone is interested in joining.

Mayor Akers discussed the bigger events in town and the possibility of allowing camping in certain areas in town when these events are occurring.

Guy discussed pop up events during those larger events as well. He stated empty businesses or buildings could be used for just the weekend. He also stated he would like to plan a launch event for the pump track once that is constructed.

Discussion ensued on live music events and other events the chamber puts on.

Discussion also ensued on Michael Dahl's properties and what his plan is for the Eagles Nest, old Hi-Lo building, and the church he just purchased in East Concrete.

Announcements: None.

Adjournment: Anne Bussiere made a motion for adjournment at 7:15 p.m. Dinah Kinney seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Guy Borgford, Chair

Attest: Anne Bussiere, Chair pro-tem