

**Winnebago County Board  
Economic Development Committee**

County Administration Building  
404 Elm Street,  
**Room 303**  
Rockford, IL 61101

**MINUTES** of  
Tuesday, January 03, 2023 at 5:30 PM

**Members Present:**

John Sweeney, Chairman  
Valerie Hanserd  
Brad Lindmark  
Tim Nabors

**Other Present:**

Jas Bilich, Special Projects Coordinator, Winnebago County  
Chris Scrol, Board Member, Winnebago County  
Rudy Valdez, SWIFTT Representative

**Members Absent:**

John Penney  
Jean Crosby  
Angela Fellars

**AGENDA:**

**A. Call to Order**

Chairman Sweeney called the meeting to order at 5:31 PM.

**B. Roll Call**

Roll call was taken of all members present. John Sweeney, Brad Lindmark, Tim Nabors, Valerie Hanserd, all in attendance, in person. Mention of Chris Scrol (Board Member) in attendance, not part of the committee.

**C. Approval of Minutes**

**MOTION TO APPROVE** the minutes of **December 12, 2022** Economic Development Committee by Brad Lindmark and seconded by Tim Nabors.

**Motion APPROVED (4-0).** Aye votes were, John Sweeney, Tim Nabors, Brad Lindmark, and Valerie Hanserd.

**D. Public Comment**

Chairman Sweeney public comment section protocol was be read in as there was a public speaker present. He called on the only speaker in the public that was present, Rudy Valdez on behalf of SWIFTT (South West Ideas for Today and Tomorrow) non-for profit.

Rudy Valdez spoke on behalf of the manufacturing in the County and the programs available referencing SWIFTT and Youth Build non-profit efforts in training and education for manufacturing positions. He discussed the importance of manufacturing in our county.

Chairman Sweeney mentioned the upcoming request by SWIFTT for a training program through host fee funding.

**E. Resolution Granting Authority To The Winnebago County Board Chairman To Execute The Documents Necessary To Complete A Loan For \$100,000 From The Revolving Loan Fund To Rockford Rides, LLC**

**Motion to APPROVE** by Valerie Hanserd and seconded by Tim Nabors.

**Motion APPROVED (4-0).** Aye votes were John Sweeney, Valerie Hanserd, Brad Lindmark, and Tim Nabors.

**F. Other Matters**

Chairman Sweeney discussed setting a tentative date for a walk through of the property in question where the manufacturing program from the SWIFTT request would exist. The tentative date would be 2 weeks from the current meeting.

**G. Adjournment**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** the meeting by Valerie Hanserd, seconded by Brad Lindmark.

**Motion APPROVED (4-0)** to adjourn at 5:38 PM.