City of St. Charles Economic Development Authority Regular Meeting Minutes March 4th, 2011

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 8:10am at City Hall by Greg Gall. Present were: Gall, Bill Spitzer, Wayne Getz, Greg Backes, Mark Linderbaum, City Administrator Nick Koverman, and EDA Coordinator Cris Gastner
- **2. Financials:** Financial reports were reviewed. A motion was made by Getz and Seconded by Backes to approve the financials. All Ayes. Motion Carried

3. Business Items:

a. Community Center:

Mark Linderbaum updated the Board on discussions that have gotten started in the community about the possibility of a new community and recreation center on the former North Star Foods site. There is a public input meeting upcoming on the 15th to get feedback from the community on this idea and gauge support. Representatives from the community have gone to visit similar facilities in other communities to see how the projects were done and get ideas.

b. I-90 Project Update

Gastner passed out a copy of the letter that he had prepared for Dan Fox after discussions with the finance committee.

Gastner and Koverman discussed the upcoming City Council meeting and its importance to the project, and further discussed the possibility of getting together with members of the Council ahead of that meeting to answer any questions that they may have. Gastner and Koverman are meeting next week with Mike Bubany to look again at the financial aspects of the project.

c. Comprehensive Plan Discussion:

Gastner and Koverman presented the Board with a draft of the completed Comprehensive Plan for initial review. The draft will be sent to the original members of the comp plan committee for their input and suggestion as well as the City Council. Copies will be made available for public review, and a public input meeting will be held on April 5th. A public hearing will be held at the EDA meeting on April 15th for recommendation to City Council.

d. Possible Business Assistance:

Gastner informed the Board that a local business had some unexpected damage to their facility and may look to the EDA for assistance. As information continues to come in he will update the Board.

e. Ronald McDonald Motorcycle Rally

The City has been approached to be a stop for the annual Ronald McDonald ride again this summer. The community was a stop last year and the participants were so impressed with the community showing that they would like to come back again. This is a wonderful compliment to St. Charles as most sites are changed from year to year. The event will be held on July 24th.

4. Motion to Adjourn was made by Linderbaum, seconded by Getz. Motion carried.