

**Green County Development Corporation Board Minutes**  
**Thursday, April 15, 2021**  
**Via Zoom Call**

1. **Attendance:** Nikki Matley (Thrivent Financial), John McNeil (Big Radio), Brian Wilson (Village of Belleville), Becky Olson (Village of Belleville), Ron Schaaf (Bank of New Glarus/Sugar River Bank), Joan Rufenacht (County Board), David Mosher (Mosher & Associates), Mike Sanders (1000 Partners), Beth Luchsinger (County Board), Jane Curran-Meuli (Monroe Clinic), Doug Sutter (Keller), Donna Douglas (City of Monroe), Richard Thoman (AmericInn, County Board, City of Monroe), Mike Williams (Colony Brands), April Fuhr (Village of Monticello), Dave Lothspeich (City of Monroe), Dr. Tracy Pierner (Blackhawk Technical College), Jesse Duff (Fehr Graham), Rick Waski (Monroe School District), Senator Janis Ringhand, Monica Sundal (Tammy Baldwin's office), Cara Carper (Green County Development Corporation).
2. **Call to Order:** President Nikki Matley called the meeting to order at 7:31 am.
3. **Introduction of all on the call:** All participants on the call were named.
4. **Approval of the Agenda, Minutes (March 18, 2021) and Financials:** Motion by John McNeil; second by Jane Curran-Meuli. Motion carried.
5. **Staff Update:** Cara provided an update to her written report.
  - a. Childcare
    - i. Childcare Business Boot Camp: Six classes completed with 14 participants including 2 people who speak Spanish. Two classes yet to go.
    - ii. Safety Saturday: May 1 class is filling quickly (maximum of 20 participants)
    - iii. Childcare Business Mentoring Program: We have 5 mentors. All are trained and have mentees.
    - iv. Childcare Mental Health Consultation and professional development workshops: Counseling has started and monthly workshops have begun.
  - b. Green County Leaders: Wednesday, May 12 Braver Angels session. Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/braver-angels-skills-for-bridging-the-divide-workshop-registration-148703553331>  
Also the final evening mini-series Leadership & Government April 29). Register here: <https://green.extension.wisc.edu/gcl-2021-leadership-government-series/>
  - c. American Rescue Plan – GCDC is working with UW Extension to develop a survey for all municipalities to determine interest in education and the potential for working together.
  - d. GCDC support for COVID vaccinations – There was a discussion regarding vaccinations in Green County, and GCDC support of vaccine awareness as an economic issue. Motion by Mike Sander that GCDC support vaccine availability and awareness throughout the community and to employers. Second by Ron Schaaf. Promotion will take place on social media, so there is no budgetary consideration. Motion carried.
6. **Community Roundtable/Partner Reports/Board member Business for the Good of the Order:** Each member provided an update from their business/community. Each participant provided a brief update.
7. **Next Meeting:** The next GCDC Board meeting will be Thursday, May 20.
8. **Adjourn:** Motion to adjourn by Beth Luchsinger, second by Joan Rufenacht. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 8:43 am.