

**Redwood Region Economic Development Commission
LOAN COMMITTEE
Tuesday, September 21, 2010
4:00 p.m.**

Minutes

Present: Jennifer Budwig, Angela Machado (alternate), Sherman Schapiro, Liana Simpson, Dan Sweet

Absent: Helen Edwards, Phil Sullivan, Dean Charlton (alternate), Scott Pesch, Frank Scolari

Staff Present: Gregg Foster, Bonnie Smoller

I. Call to Order

Vice Chair Liana Simpson called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

II. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

M/S/P: Budwig/Sweet to approve the agenda and the minutes of August 17, 2010.

III. Public Input

None

IV. Old Business

None

V. New Business

A. Loan Approval or Denial: Ron Ghera dba FV Gerry B: Borrower is a commercial fisherman who received a Carl Moyer Grant to replace the engine on his boat. The grant program requires that all work be paid for up front; awardees are reimbursed when the work is completed.

Borrower came to RREDC for a loan to cover the upfront costs. He was approved for a loan in November 2009 and in May 2010. Disbursements have been paid directly to vendors from invoices. Borrower has met all loan conditions. Collateral continues to be a first lien on FV Gerry B.

The amount of the award is not sufficient to cover the total cost of the necessary work due to cost overruns. Borrower is requesting a final, additional \$5,000 which would bring the loan balance to \$20,000. If approved, the loan will convert from a line of credit to a 60 month term loan at 10%.

M/S/P: Schapiro/Sweet moved to approve recommendation of this loan to the RREDC Executive Committee with the condition that no other loans will be made to the borrower for this circumstance.

B. Consideration of Recommendation of Greg Bowen to RREDC Loan Committee: Greg Bowen, Business Relationship Manager, Umpqua Bank, has applied for the loan committee. If approved he will replace Angela Machado as the alternate representative from Umpqua Bank. Final approval will come from the RREDC Board of Directors.

M/S/P: Sweet/Budwig moved to approve recommendation of Greg Bowen to the RREDC Loan Committee.

C. Discussion of Potential Time Change of Meetings: Scott Pesch recently submitted his resignation from the loan committee because he is unable to attend meetings at 4:00 p.m. The group was in favor of changing the meeting time to earlier in the day to accommodate Mr. Pesch. Members will be polled as to possible meeting times.

VI. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 4:37 p.m.