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Town of Zionsville rejoins partnership with Boone EDC

The Town of Zionsville is reengaging with the Boone County Economic Development Corporation (Boone EDC). During the Town Council meeting on January 16, Mayor John Stehr asked for, and Town Council members unanimously passed, a resolution to appropriate funds to the Boone EDC for their 2024 services.

Boone EDC, a nonprofit organization, is dedicated to the growth of Boone County by actively engaging with businesses, developers, consultants, real estate brokers, public officials and the community. Their vision is for the community to thrive as a diverse and resilient economic hub, offering opportunities for everyone.

The Town of Zionsville has historically had a partnership with the Boone EDC to assist the Town in economic development. Mayor Stehr has prioritized reengaging with the Boone EDC by appropriating money from the Food and Beverage Fund for economic development services.

"We want to be more engaged with our Boone County neighbors to help support sustainable growth and bring investment to the county," said Mayor John Stehr. "By working together with the qualified team at the Boone EDC, we can identify economic development opportunities that make sense for our town. We want to strengthen relationships with community and regional partners so that Zionsville once again has a seat at the table. When economic growth benefits one of us in Boone County, it benefits us all."

Molly Whitehead, Executive Director of Boone Economic Development Corporation, emphasizes the significance of reengaging with the Town of Zionsville as a strategic move for Boone EDC and the overall growth of the county. She states, "Our collaboration with Zionsville is pivotal in nurturing a unified economic vision for Boone County. By reengaging with Zionsville, we aim to leverage shared resources, enhance economic synergies and create a more robust and interconnected business environment. Together, we can unlock new opportunities, attract investment and ensure sustainable growth that benefits both our communities and the entire county."

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