1. **CALL TO ORDER**

8:45 AM meeting was called to order by Chair Tonia Khouri at 8:45 AM.

2. **ROLL CALL**

   PRESENT: DiCianni, Eckhoff, Khouri, Krajewski, Wiley
   ABSENT: Fichtner

   Greg Hart was also present for the Committee Meeting.

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

   A. Economic Development Committee - Regular Meeting - Feb 20, 2018 8:45 AM

   | RESULT:    | ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS] |
   | MOVER:     | Brian J Krajewski, District 3 |
   | SECONDER:  | Kevin Wiley, District 6 |
   | AYES:      | DiCianni, Eckhoff, Khouri, Krajewski, Wiley |
   | ABSENT:    | Fichtner |

4. **CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

   None

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

   None

6. **INCUMBENT WORKER TRAINING**
RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kevin Wiley, District 6
SECONDER: Peter DiCianni, Vice Chair
AYES: DiCianni, Eckhoff, Khouri, Krajewski, Wiley
ABSENT: Fichtner

A. Ballco Incumbent Worker Training

B. BBS Automation - Incumbent Worker Training

C. Pepperidge Farm - Incumbent Worker Training

D. Pioneer - Incumbent Worker Training

7. BUDGET TRANSFER

A. Budget Transfers -- Request transfer of funds: $15,000 from account 5000-2840 Regular Salaries (Beginning Balance $3,881,529.83, Ending Balance $3,886,529.88) to account 5000-2840-51000 Benefits Payments (Beginning Balance $.98, Ending Balance $15,000.98).

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Brian J Krajewski, District 3
SECONDER: Kevin Wiley, District 6
AYES: DiCianni, Eckhoff, Khouri, Krajewski, Wiley
ABSENT: Fichtner

8. RESOLUTIONS

A. FI-R-0100-18 RESOLUTION -- Financial Support for the DuPage Convention and Visitor's Bureau Activities in the amount of $50,000

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Kevin Wiley, District 6
SECONDER: Peter DiCianni, Vice Chair
AYES: DiCianni, Eckhoff, Khouri, Krajewski, Wiley
ABSENT: Fichtner

B. ED-R-0113-18 RESOLUTION -- DuPage Convention and Visitors Bureau Designation of Representation for Grant Purposes
RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Peter DiCianni, Vice Chair
SECONDER: Brian J Krajewski, District 3
AYES: DiCianni, Eckhoff, Khouri, Krajewski, Wiley
ABSENT: Fichtner

9. DUPAGE CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU UPDATE
Beth Marchetti, Executive Director, DuPage Convention & Visitors Bureau (DCVB), represented the DCVB asking for designation to be the only authorized bureau to represent DuPage County. In addition, the DCVB asked for funding support to qualify them to receive matching funds from the state's grant to aid economic tourism development in DuPage, and bolster the Bureau's mission of bringing additional meetings and events to the county.

During her presentation, Ms. Marchetti stated the travel industry continues to mean jobs for DuPage County, which ranks second only to Cook County for total hotel rooms (16,000), overall tourism expenditures ($2.5 billion), industry payrolls supporting 23,000 jobs (over $688 million), and state ($146.23 million), and local ($45 million) tax revenues per the U.S. Travel Association. The DCVB has had much success this year, including booking the USA Olympic National Weightlifting Competition, the Hot Wheels Annual Convention, and 3 Rockwell Sales Manager Summits, and the USBC Women's Championships.

10. CHOOSE DUPAGE - UPDATE
A. John Carpenter will update the Committee on the Chicago Regional Growth Corporation Launch.

The Chicago Regional Growth Corporation (CGRC), formally known as the Chicago Regional Growth Initiative, has now been formalized and Incorporated. This organization includes seven counties, and the City of Chicago, who have joined together to promote this region as an entity. The CRGC fosters collaboration and cultivates a regional approach to economic development to generate inclusive growth and prosperity across northeastern Illinois. Cooperation, inclusion and diversity are core values of CRGC. Partnerships will be vital to its success. CRGC will be a bridge from local to state and federal resources and integral to prioritizing, aligning and coordinating economic development activities to increase the region's competitiveness.

11. WORKNET - UPDATE
Ms. Schvach informed the Committee that the Workforce budget is on pace for spending approaching our final quarter, and there is a continued emphasis on Incumbent Worker Training grants for businesses. The Disability Employment Initiative (DEI) Grant will complete its grant cycle at the end of the month. This was a very successful grant for both our internal processes as well as connections made in the community, and there are plans to host an annual job fair for individuals with disabilities. The Make Your Way (MYWay) youth cohort is still on schedule to be our first round of the program to be held outside the workNet office. It will be held in
Addison at the Village Hall, and a start date is being finalized. The Committee will be updated as the details come together.

12. OLD BUSINESS
None

13. NEW BUSINESS
General discussion regarding advisory referendum topics.

14. ADJOURNMENT
Without Objection, this meeting was adjourned at 9:27 AM.