

Osakis Economic Development Authority
Meeting Minutes - Osakis City Hall
July 27, 2009
4:00PM

Present: Jan Flolid, Bonnie Schultz, Rod Femrite, Kip Emerson, John Peterka, Bruce Pederson

Absent: Dave Zerr

Others Present: Angela Jacobson, Newman Olson

President John Peterka called the meeting to order at 4:00pm

Motion by Jan seconded by Kip to approve the agenda with the addition of the Visitor Center, and 2010 Budget, All Ayes.

Motion by Kip seconded by Rod to approve the General Consent Items, All Ayes.

Osakis Properties – No Change, 9 lots left for sale, no one has requested information on the lots. John stated Phil Reed had contacted him regarding a lot and wanted to know if the EDA would negotiate on the price, the consensus was they will not negotiate the price.

Mike Roach Apartments – Traci Ryan presented the Ag Service property owned by Mike Roach. He would like to build a rental apartment for seniors, same design as before, will not be subsidized. 2 story 16 units with elevator. Would like to receive TIF assistance on the property, the area is already set up for TIF, the EDA could negotiate the percentage paid to Mike and the cost associated with creating the district and the additional percentage can go to improvements in that area as it was originally set up. EDA would be interested in discussing with Mike.

2010 Budget - Angela went over budget. The Revenues and Expenditures for each fund for 2010, the funds that continue to lose money are the 502 fund (Osakis Properties Phase 1) and 503 fund (Industrial Park). The 502 fund can use money from the TIF revenue received from the 501 fund (Osakis Properties Phase 2) to pay the bonds. Using these funds together the bonds should have no problem being paid. The 503 fund will have to be looked at closer because the city has not levied any money to pay the bond and the money from OEDC has not been enough to make the bond payment.

Angela and Jan will work together to balance the budget and have to the EDA approve at the August meeting.

OEDC – No money received. Funds are not looking good. The revenue received does not cover expenses. Now all taxes are paid so will have to look at in a couple months to see how it is doing. The bar option was discussed for the Liquor Store.

VFW – No money

EDA Building – Industrial Park – Payments have been received, and will be cashed on July 28th.

Blue Ox Timber – Angela contacted Ben Miller and they will not be building this year, and will look at building next spring.

Visitor/Information Center – Kip explained the history on what has happened with the Visitor Center. The Chamber as paid \$900 to keeping the center open for the summer and does not want to be in charge of it anymore, the Visitor Center was shut down for a week in July. The Council had a meeting with the

Resort Association to see if some of the Lodging Tax funds could be used to keep the center open, the resorts are going to be contributing money, no money is received yet.

George Bender has paid \$500 toward keeping the center open.
VFW will be asked to contribute at their August meeting.

Ashley Schultz and Kelsey Gielser are helping out, both with go back to college and their last day will be August 14th, these girls need to be paid the rough estimated amount is \$1,200.

Kip would like to see the EDA contribute the \$1,475 we are holding to pay the girls. The girls will not need to be paid until after August 14th. The EDA discussed the possibility of giving a scholarship to each girl. The consensus was to table the discussion until the August meeting and pay the girls at that time with a 1099 with the money that is received.

All organizations will get together and see what each organization wants to see happened and where they want the visitor center to go, at the meeting we will have a report of what time the girls spent on what items for the summer.

Correspondence – Letter from Centerpoint Energy with a disconnect notice for the building at 602 3rd Ave East. Angela will call Centerpoint to see if it has been paid or disconnected and if not to contact Integrated about making a payment. Angela will update John and Bonnie and what is happening.

Future Agenda Items: Spring 2010 discuss the selling of the EDA Building in the Industrial Park
Next meeting August 24th.

Motion by Jan seconded by Bruce to adjourn the meeting at 5:10pm, all ayes.

Angela A. Jacobson – City Clerk