

Osakis Economic Development Authority
Meeting Minutes - Osakis City Hall
November 26th, 2018 4:00 PM

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Present: Ryan Peterson, Bonnie Schultz, John Peterka, Jim Snyder, Dave Zerr, Keith Emerson, Bruce Pederson

Absent: None

Others Present: Angela Jacobson, Jerry Hendricks, Lil Ortendahl, Lynnette Swenstad, Candy Bruder

Meeting called to order by President John Peterka at 4:00 p.m.

Motion by Zerr, seconded by Peterson, to approve the agenda as presented and add New Business. All Ayes

Motion by Pederson, seconded by Emerson, to approve the general consent items. All Ayes

Hendricks Addition: Members discussed the property purchase. Peterson met with Jerry Hendricks and discussed a purchase price of \$90,000. This price was decided on for the purchase of the north lots.

Soil samples were discussed. Will check with Tom Klemenhausen regarding the soil when road standard tests were completed.

EDA discussed if the lots should be single family homes or stay with the ten townhomes that were designed for the lots.

Jerry Hendricks said he met with the existing members and if the purchase happens, they are ok with it as long as the city takes over the snow removal on the street.

The information will be submitted to the city attorney to draw up a purchase agreement for the purchase of the property and for the title opinion.

The purchase agreement contingencies will include:

- Water drainage issue resolved on the east side.
- Association approval of the change.
- Soil boring completed.
- Clear title.
- Any attorney contingencies.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Emerson, to have the city attorney draw up a purchase agreement for the north side lots of Hendricks Addition in the amount of \$90,000 with contingencies as presented. All Ayes

OEDC: No meeting minutes or funds received.

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VFW: No funds were received.

Grocery Store: The loan grant is up in January of 2019. The loan was a five year forgivable loan if the store stayed open. The store has stayed open for the term of the loan and will be forgiven at that time.

New Business – EDA discussed of the following:

- Industrial Park lots for sale – incentives for businesses to come to Osakis.
- Storefronts – incentives for businesses to come to Osakis.
 - What can be offered to get new businesses in town?
 - What kind of dollar figure could be offered for new businesses?
 - What kind of small businesses are needed in town that will survive?
 - How can we promote business in the community?

The EDA will think about these questions and discuss more at the next meeting.

Housing Program Assistance: The EDA reviewed the form for the 2019 year, putting in a clause of the remodel project needs to have a \$10,000 minimum.

I-94 Sign: Motion by Zerr, seconded by Schultz, to approve to wrap the back of the I-94 sign with the EDA paying the cost of \$1,698. All Ayes

MN Housing Program: Motion by Snyder, seconded by Peterson, to approve the EDA and the city to be involved in the MN Housing Program for buying incentives for 1st time homebuyers and new homes in the community. All Ayes

Naming the Park: Lil Ortendahl was in attendance and stated that she was verbally promised that the lot would be named Ortendahl Plaza. Ortendahl said that Kurt Haakinson and Jacobson were in attendance.

Snyder will check with Haakinson about the promise and what his understanding was.

The EDA will buy the \$100 Chamber Bucks.

OEDC: Industrial Park Bond – There was no documentation found to state the OEDC was to pay for the Industrial Park Bond. LeRoy Mackove stated that was the understanding and documentation shows that the OEDC budgeted for the payment of these costs.

OEDC Funding: The EDA discussed informing the OEDC that they can give money to organizations on their own and not through the EDA Board.

Correspondence: None

Next meeting will be held December 17th, 2018

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Angela A. Jacobson – City Clerk/ Treasurer