

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

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

Absent: Dave Zerr

Others Present: Angela Jacobson

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

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Pederson, to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of Barb Tilbury/Trail. All Ayes Absent: Zerr

Motion by Snyder, seconded by Emerson, to approve the general consent items, minutes/bills/treasurer's report. All Ayes Absent: Zerr

Request for Funding: Applications for funding requests are as follows:

- Osakis Festival – Fun at the Park \$500 - \$700
- Osakis Festival Parade \$2,000
- City of Osakis – Bond \$7,000
- Central Lakes Cruzers \$1,100
- Osakis Fire Dept. Auxiliary – Easter Day \$500
- Osakis Visitor's Center \$800
- Moonshine Madness \$6,000
- Osakis Schools ???

The amount of funding available is \$2,133.

Motion by Schultz, seconded by Snyder, to approve \$1,500 to the Osakis Festival Parade and \$500 to the Osakis Festival – Fun at the Park. All Ayes Absent: Zerr

Schultz commented that this is the 50th anniversary of the festival.

Snyder read an email he received from Barb Tilbury regarding discussion of the trail. The EDA Board will consider her comments.

VFW Funds: Motion by Schultz, seconded by Pederson, to approve the VFW Donation in the amount of \$400 to the Firemen's Auxiliary for Easter Day. All Ayes Absent: Zerr

Housing System Program: Jacobson explained the discussion from the last meeting for those that were not present – The council approved to call for a public hearing for the TIF Redevelopment District to be held in May. After the public hearing, Jacobson will publish an article about the project.

A couple of items changed from the last discussion – after having Briggs & Morgan review the city’s policy, the TIF District 1-5 (Osakis Properties) was created and generated in Douglas County so all redevelopment would need to take place in the portion of the city that is in Douglas County.

Demolition projects will need to have new construction on the lot to promote single family housing and meet the TIF law.

It was suggested to reword the “acquisition to buyers” paragraph so it is clear to understand.

All funds that the city puts towards a project will be matched by the home owner.

It was stated that St. Louis Park used the Housing Redevelopment Program. Jacobson will visit with them regarding their program.

The EDA Board was ok with these changes and will move forward with the project.

Peterson asked if anyone had heard about a 3M expansion. He had heard they were looking for a location to build. Jacobson will find a contact regarding this information.

Motion by Pederson, seconded by Emerson, to adjourn the meeting at 4:50 p.m. All Ayes Absent:
Anderson

Next meeting on April 23, 2018.

Angela A. Jacobson – City Clerk