

**Osakis Economic Development Authority  
Meeting Minutes – May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022 4:00 PM**

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** John Peterka, Dave Zerr, Bonnie Schultz, Randy Anderson, Tonya Danielson, Ryan Peterson

**Absent:** Dan Wessel, Justin Dahlheimer

**Others Present:** Angela Jacobson, Keith Emerson

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

Motion by Zerr, seconded by Danielson, to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of Keith Emerson, Gary Hommerding, Mick Miller and Ryan Smith. Motion Carries Absent: Wessel, Dahlheimer

Motion by Zerr, seconded by Anderson, to approve the general consent items, bills, treasurer's report and April 25, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion Carries Absent: Wessel, Dahlheimer

**Housing Grant:** EDA reviewed an application from Keith Emerson for housing improvements for his property at 303 Queen Street West. Emerson said the project is already done but he had been trying to get a written bid for almost a year.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Danielson, to deny the Housing Grant application for Keith Emerson for the property at 303 Queen Street West due to the project already being complete. Motion Carries Absent: Wessel, Dahlheimer

EDA reviewed an application from Gary Hommerding for his property at 315 Pike Street West. The project includes residing the existing dwelling.

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Danielson, to approve a Housing Grant in the amount of \$8,602 for Gary Hommerding at 315 Pike Street West. Motion Carries Absent: Wessel, Dahlheimer

Sarah Thieschafer asked if she could apply again because she did not use the full first grant amount. The consensus of the EDA board is that she can apply again and the members will consider.

Peterson asked the board to consider raising the amount for additional funds for new construction in Osakis to \$25,000. EDA will discuss at the next meeting.

**Hotel/Motel:** EDA discussed the report for Hospitality Marketing. 6.5 million to build out the hotel. Will get final Hotel Study when they receive the final payment.

Other items discussed:

- RCC put in more ice for a hockey rink – this would be another draw to the area.
- Need investors need to make it work.
- TIF, tax abatement funding – look into the investors.

**Serger Property:** Sergers have been informed about the city's offer and they are still considering it.

**Shane Bay:** Signed final papers for closing. Bay needs to sign and get funds to Tom Klecker for closing.

**Mick Miller:** Miller said he would want the lot to be rezoned to the Industrial District or a CUP to move forward. We gave him the option to go through the CUP process before closing. The EDA feels Miller must request the rezoning and CUP himself.

**Ryan Smith:** Sold the back acres to Scott Baker

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:50 p.m. Motion Carries Absent: Wessel, Dahlheimer

Next meeting – June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022

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Angela A. Jacobson – City Clerk/ Treasurer