

**Osakis Economic Development Authority**  
**Meeting Minutes – August 22, 2022 4:00 PM**

**Roll Call:**

**Present:** Dan Wessel, Tonya Danielson, Bonnie Schultz, John Peterka, Randy Anderson, Ryan Peterson

**Absent:** Dave Zerr, Justin Dahlheimer

**Others Present:** Ila Anderson

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

Motion by Wessel, seconded by Danielson, to approve the agenda as presented with the additions of Housing Applicants and MN DOT highway signage. Motion Carries Absent: Zerr, Dahlheimer

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

2023 Budget will be discussed further at the September meeting.

**Housing Grant:**

**Robert and Jason Vangstad** submitted an application for siding and window replacement. Total bid is for \$21,549.04

Motion by Peterson, seconded by Anderson, to approve a Housing Grant in the amount of \$10,000 for Robert and Jason Vangstad 503 West Pike St. Motion Carries Absent: Zerr, Dahlheimer

**Danny and Stacy Foss** submitted an application for window replacement. Total bid is for \$10,895.71.

Motion by Peterson to approve a housing grant in the amount of \$5,447.86 assuming we can go out of the target area. Further discussion was held regarding the target area. Motion failed. Need more information about going out of the target area. Will be addressed at the September meeting.

**Highway Signage:** Danielson reported on the cost for signage on the interstate and all ramps directing people to our community. Discussion was held about possibly putting up a billboard instead due to cost.

**Giese Property:** The house has been condemned. This will be discussed at the October meeting.

**Hotel/Motel:** Peterson reported that he has spoken with a couple developers. Eric Tweenten will be putting together a plan and be in attendance at the September meeting.

**Serger Property:** The fire department has August 29, 2022 scheduled for the burn date.

**Habitat for Humanity:** Peterson reported that he spoke with Habitat and they will not be able to start building until spring 2023.

**Other Information:** Wessel reported on a meeting he attended with the school, Horizon Public Health and West Central Initiative. There is a grant through Horizon for \$350,000 to develop safe paths within the community for children to get to the school. This will be applied for.

Danielson inquired on whether land needs to be owned by a potential homeowner in order to use the grant or if the land can be owned by a developer and he build a home per the potential homeowners specs. This will be discussed at the September meeting.

**Electric plugs for cars:** will be discussed at the September meeting.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Wessel, to adjourn the meeting at 5:05 p.m. Motion Carries Absent: Zerr, Dahlheimer

Next meeting – September 26 , 2022

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Ila Anderson – Admin Assistant

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Angela A. Jacobson – City Clerk/ Treasurer