

Osakis Economic Development Authority
Meeting Minutes – November 28, 2022 4:00 PM

Roll Call:

Present: Dan Wessel, John Peterka, Dave Zerr, Bonnie Schultz, Ryan Peterson, Tonya Danielson, Randy Anderson, Justin Dahlheimer

Others Present: Angela Jacobson

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

Motion by Zerr, seconded by Danielson, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carries

Motion by Zerr, seconded by Peterka, to approve the general consent items, bills, treasurer's report and October 24, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion Carries

Mayor Comments:

- Attended a community meeting at Osakis Public School for public input. Session on 11/22/22. Good input from the public. The school is discussing an expansion to the facility. This will allow them to host more things and bring more people to town.
- Ordinance enforcement – four main ordinances have not been enforced as they should. Discussing and looking to enforce them in the future.

General Discussion:

- Discussion on lots and housing opportunities for Osakis. What can be done for housing lots in Osakis to help building.
- Discussed land, housing options, apartments, townhomes and single family housing.

Pharmacy:

- Pharmacy at the Galeon – a meeting will be held January 10th for a pharmacy decision. Those present will be 2 pharmacists, Galeon board, and nursing staff.

In order to have a pharmacy in an old location, they will need an application submitted for a pharmacy, and will have to remodel and update the space.

EDA Board: Peterka will be leaving the board in January. Board suggestions include Amber Kral, Randy Anderson and Brian Ferris.

The EDA discussed land, housing options, apartments, townhomes and single family housing.

Jacobson will check on Small City Grant Program/TIF funding.

Hotel/Motel: Received pledges and others are showing an interest in investment and report.

Hear concerns when investment returns will happen.

Peterson is working on getting numbers for investments from Glenwood. Peterson will chat with interested people to confirm who is interested and what the pledges will be to work toward a total by April 1st, 2023.

Parks: EDA discussed an option to move the 8th Avenue Park to the lot on 8th Ave W and Oak Street West and put in a spec home at the existing park location.

Motion to move the 8th Avenue Park. Motion died due to lack of second.

Zerr tabled the discussion to check into the options for the lots.

Habitat for Humanity – Serger Property: Motion by Danielson, seconded by Zerr, to sell the property at 112 Queen Street West to Habitat for Humanity for \$15,000. Motion Carries

Electric Car Charger: Dahlheimer will look into this.

Industrial Park – Mick Miller: Jacobson and Wessel attended the Planning & Zoning meeting. Miller discussed a change to the Purchase Agreement to split the 5.9 acres. One lot will be 1.74 acres for storage units and the other will be 4.16 acres for shop condos.

Miller would require a Conditional Use Permit on the 1.74 acre lot for storage units. The 4.16 acre lot would be Industrial and would be more flexible for shop condos for renters.

Also added to purchase the abutting lot 7 for \$7,500 and if Miller does not build in 2 years then he would pay an additional \$7,500 for the lot.

Closing is scheduled for March 31, 2023.

Motion by Zerr, seconded by Anderson, to approve the changes to the Purchase Agreement with Mick Miller as mentioned above. Motion Carries

Future Items to Discuss:

- Mick Miller
- Electric Car
- Habitat for Humanity
- EDA Board
- Hotel/Motel

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Zerr, to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 p.m. Motion Carries

Next meeting – December 26th, 2022

Angela A. Jacobson – City Clerk/ Treasurer