

Osakis Economic Development Authority
Meeting Minutes – August 28th, 2023 – 4:00 PM
City Hall – 14 Nokomis Street East

Roll Call –

Present: Randy Anderson, Bonnie Schultz, Dan Wessel, Tonya Danielson, Ryan Peterson, Stephanie Finnegan

Absent: Dave Zerr, Justin Dahlheimer

Others Present: Angela Jacobson

Meeting called to order by Randy Anderson at 4:05 p.m.

Motion by Wessel, seconded by Peterson, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried Absent: Zerr, Dahlheimer

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Danielson, to approve the general consent items, bills, treasurer's report, and July 24, 2023 meeting minutes. Motion Carried Absent: Zerr, Dahlheimer

VFW: None

Building Inspector: Danielson commented about the new nail salon. The owner has \$10,000 wrapped up into the project. Danielson was told that the inspector had an attitude and stated it is not his job to tell how to do a project. Danielson also commented that no final inspection was done on the Bowling Barn.

Members asked who the commercial inspector was and people need to be treated respectfully by the inspector.

Danielson stated she has concerns on how the new nail salon is being treated and the requirements that they are requiring to follow.

Other cities will be contacted to find out who their commercial inspectors are.

Storefront: An application was submitted from O'Town Tavern for demolishing the building on Central Avenue.

Discussion was that the EDA does not participate in demo of commercial buildings. Only new buildings and improvements to existing.

Motion by Finnegan, seconded by Schultz, to deny approval of funds for O'Town Tavern for demolishing the building on Central Avenue. Motion Carried Absent: Zerr, Dahlheimer

Lot for Sale: Motion by Peterson, seconded by Wessel, to except the bid for water/sewer lines in the amount of \$6,000, unless another bid comes in lower by Friday. Motion Carried Absent: Zerr, Dahlheimer

2024 Budget: Jacobson reviewed the 2024 Budget.

Motion by Schultz, seconded by Danielson, to approve the 2024 Budget. Motion Carried Absent: Zerr, Dahlheimer

Jessie Lutgen: Wants locals to know that Paul's Pump & Pantry is for sale.

Grocery Store: Paul Hartmann has had another person interested in the property.

Rollie Walsh: Zerr will be at the next meeting for updates.

Hotel: No new updates.

Lots for Sale: Carl Kvale has asked why lots are not being sold. Peterson and Dahlheimer will look into this.

Olson Funds: Dahlheimer will update at the next meeting.

Parks: Danielson stated Al Larson said at the council meeting that others don't want to see a splash pad downtown. Would like to know what input that people had that don't want it downtown.

United Way Donation: A thank you letter and plaque were received.

Motion by Finnegan, seconded by Wessel, to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m. Motion Carried Absent:
Zerr, Dahlheimer

Angela A. Jacobson – City Clerk/ Treasurer