Osakis Economic Development Authority Meeting Minutes – November 27, 2023 – 4:00 PM City Hall – 14 Nokomis Street East

Roll Call -

Present: Bonnie Schultz, Dave Zerr, Randy Anderson, Justin Dahlheimer, Tonya Danielson, Dan Wessel **Absent:** Ryan Peterson, Stephanie Finnegan **Others Present:** Angela Jacobson, Rollie Walsh, Clarajayne Walsh

Meeting called to order by Dave Zerr at 4:00 p.m.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Danielson, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion Carried Absent: Peterson, Finnegan

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Danielson, to approve the general consent items, bills, treasurer's report, and October 23, 2023 meeting minutes. Motion Carried Absent: Peterson, Finnegan

Rollie Walsh: Walsh would consider selling land if he is allowed to have solar panels.

Planning & Zoning has put some work into an ordinance to allow for solar.

It was noted that solar companies need access to the road for the solar panel garden.

Walsh -50 acres of solar panels is what they are requesting but can do 40 acres.

Walsh was asked if he would sell lots on 8th Avenue West.

Walsh said he would do a First Right of Refusal on the land and negotiate the amount for purchase.

EDA will discuss negotiating amount at the next meeting on December 18th, 2023.

Members: Dave Zerr informed the members that he is done as of January 1st, 2024.

Motion by Anderson, seconded by Schultz, to approve the EDA board to have seven members. Motion Carried Absent: Peterson, Finnegan

Housing Application: Discussion if two bids are needed for the application. This is free money and was recommended to keep with the requirement of two bids.

Rick Engfer: First Right of Refusal – keep moving forward.

Motion by Dahlheimer, seconded by Wessel, to approve the First Right of Refusal for Rick Engfer's land. Motion Carried Absent: Peterson, Finnegan

Basil Rudnick: No update on the lot. Peterson bring an update to the December meeting.

Log Cabin Pizza: No one has moved on a sale. Others are looking into it.

Grocery Store: Twyla Myrin will be closing on the property this week. Closing will be by West Central. Myrin will received a forgivable loan from the EDA in the amount of \$15,000 and \$15,000 from West Central.

Habitat for Humanity: Peterson will give an update in December for the Oak Street Lot. One lot has been sold and closed on.

Next meeting will be December 18th, 2023.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m. Motion Carried Absent: Peterson, Finnegan

Angela A. Jacobson – City Clerk/ Treasurer