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Osakis Economic Development Authority
Meeting Minutes – June 24, 2024 – 4:00 PM
City Hall – 14 Nokomis Street East

Present: Ryan Peterson, Randy Anderson, Tonya Danielson, Dan Wessel, Laura Backes, Justin Dahlheimer (arrived at 4:05 p.m.)

Others Present: Angela Jacobson, Dirk Hagedon, Donald Timmerman, Marsha Timmerman

Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m.

Motion by Backes, seconded by Anderson, to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of Douglas County application budget. Motion Carried Absent: Dahlheimer

Motion by Wessel, seconded by Danielson, to approve the general consent items, bills, treasurer's report, and April 22, 2024 meeting minutes. Motion Carried

MCPP: We meet our \$100,000 requirement. Have contributed \$307,000 in loans in 2024.

Housing Grant: Discussed a housing application for Don & Marsha Timmerman.

Dirk Hagedon was in attendance to discuss new homes in Osakis. The seconded house that Hagedon is building for Timmerman's has started. The work started ahead of a housing grant application being approved. A new build is different than remodeling but is best for approval before starting.

Motion by Backes, seconded by Danielson, to approve a housing grant in the amount of \$25,000 for Don and Marsha Timmerman. Motion Carried

EDA reviewed a housing grant application for John Swenstad.

Motion by Dahlheimer, seconded by Peterson, to approve a housing grant in the amount of \$7,250 for John Swenstad. Motion Carried

Rollie Walsh:

EDA was informed that Planning & Zoning wanted the solar ordinance to come back to them for discussion.

Rollie Walsh has not agreed with anything to move forward.

Habitat for Humanity: Still working on the easement.

Marina: No update.

Engfer Property: Purchase Agreement was given to Rick Engfer two weeks ago. If signed, the next would be to work on a feasibility study. Peterson will get an update.

If approved, would need to be contingent on rezoning the property. This would need to be done to move forward.

Jason Murray will be contacted as to the funds in the account and how to utilize them after 2027 when is finalized (if they can be kept or do the funds need to be spent)

Gambling: A meeting has been scheduled for July 15th at 6 p.m. From then on, the meetings will be held quarterly on the 3rd Monday.

EDA Open Position: Asking Kurt Haakinson.

Long Prairie EDA: Meeting to discuss what options they have regarding EDA uses for housing.

Business: Motion by Dahlheimer, seconded by Danielson, to approve Diane Hughes storefront application for a sign in the amount of \$224.00 (50% of the project). Motion Carried

Budget Appropriations: Douglas County Budget is coming up, EDA is asking for more for downtown businesses in Osakis. Added grocery store, bowling alley. New businesses include health coach, eye lash salon, and nail salon. Funds help to promote businesses.

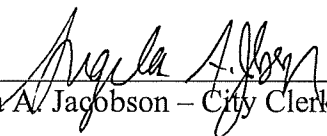
Alexandria Area EDA – Ask for 10% of what gets.

Will review the EDA Budget at the July meeting.

Administrative Citation: Funds will be used to clean up properties and help to incentivize people to use properties that are vacant

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:15 p.m. Motion Carried

Next meeting – July 22, 2024.



Angela A. Jacobson – City Clerk/ Treasurer