

EDA Meeting Minutes



Regular Meeting
Thurs. Oct. 19, 2017
3:00 p.m.
County Bd. Rm., 2nd Flr.

Meeting called by:	Barry Nelson
Type of meeting:	Regular Meeting
Attendees:	Barry Nelson, Larry Knutson, Corey Askin, Hank Ludtke
Board members absent:	Chris Sherman, Abby Anderson
Other Attendees:	Tanya Hockett, Guy Fischer

Agenda Topics

1. **Call Meeting to order:** Barry Nelson called the regular meeting to order at 3 p.m.
2. **Welcome and Introductions**
3. **Approval of Agenda:** Add West River Management, Willow Property Improvements and Essentia Letter of Support; motion to approve as amended by Knutson, 2nd by Ludtke –motion carried.
4. **Approval of September Meeting Minutes (9/21):** motion to approve by Askin, 2nd by Ludtke - motion carried.
5. **Housing:**
 - **West River Management** (Marcia Otte, Brittani Hogenson, Liz Kuoppala): review of West River CSP – Self Assessment Tool survey results; discussion of coordinated entry/ranking system - must pick highest ranking which indicates highest need and for some of those chosen the local supports aren't in place; question about tenant outcomes – some have transitioned successfully so there are some success stories; usually stay is approx. 18 months, question about access to local facilities by those in our area who are also in need, but who might not rank as high (wondering if local community supports/ties contribute to better outcomes).
 - **Review financials and approve paying bills:** motion to approve by Ludtke, 2nd by Askin - motion carried.
 - Quote for Willow Property Improvements: motion to approve low quote (Advanced Flooring Sales) by Knutson, 2nd by Ludtke – motion carried.
 - From Check Register/Invoices Presented: Workshop \$722.32, Hwy 34 Group Home \$1,141.68, Low Income Public Housing \$18,594.23, Willow Property \$0.00, Maple Ave. Apts. \$3,889.35, Hidden Hills Group Home \$0.00, West River Townhomes \$7,704.55, and Section 8 Voucher \$16,484.00.
 - Letter of Support for Essentia seeking WCI grant for Health Map project: motion to approve Knutson, 2nd by Ludtke, motion approved.
 - DL Area Housing Team: Updates on i. Frazee Downtown site redevelopment (Developing RFP's for site and community planning efforts for which Frazee is seeking WCI grant funding; ii) Housing

Trust Fund – MHP working to get \$2million in funding to develop Housing Trust Funds in anticipation of Federal monies being reduced; EDA’s /HRA’s eligible to request \$100,000 if they levy for \$100,000. Trying to encourage local EDA’s/HRA’s to invest in affordable housing on an ongoing basis (beyond the match).

6. **Economic Development:**

- Osage Mkt. : working with new potential bank funder for the project (1st Community Bank of Menahga)
- Middle Cormorant Swimming Beach – New property purchase: Send email/letter to Todd Nelson that we will work with him to make sure that his concerns are met regarding the property pin and privacy fencing.
- Open Forum
- Meeting Adjourned 4 p.m.

7. **Adjourn:** Barry Nelson adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Respectfully submitted:

/s/ Guy Fischer
EDA Coordinator

/s/ Barry Nelson
EDA Board President