



GRAND RAPIDS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, July 27, 2023
4:00 PM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a regular meeting of the Grand Rapids Economic Development Authority will be held in the City Council Chambers in the Grand Rapids City Hall, 420 North Pokegama Avenue, in Grand Rapids, Minnesota on Thursday, July 27, 2023 immediately following the closed meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:37 p.m.

CALL OF ROLL

PRESENT

Commissioner Al Hodnik
President Sholom Blake
Commissioner Tasha Connelly
Commissioner Tom Sutherland

ABSENT

Commissioner Mike Korte
Commissioner Wayne Bruns

SETTING OF THE REGULAR AGENDA - *This is an opportunity to approve the regular agenda as presented, or to add/delete an agenda item by a majority vote of the Commissioners present .*

The agenda was approved without addition.

APPROVE MINUTES

1. Consider approval of minutes from the June 9th, 2023 Special Meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Connelly, second by Commissioner Hodnik to approve the minutes from the June 9th special meeting. The following voted in favor thereof: Hodnik, Connelly, Blake, Sutherland. Opposed: None, passed unanimously.

APPROVE CLAIMS

2. Consider approval of claims in the amount of \$106,430.68.

Motion by Commissioner Hodnik, second by Commissioner Connelly to approve claims in the amount of \$106,430.68. The following voted in favor thereof: Hodnik, Connelly, Blake, Sutherland. Opposed: None, passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

3. Conduct a public hearing to consider approval of a Purchase and Development Agreement with and conveyance of property to Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Itasca County

President Blake stated the public hearing this evening is to consider approval of a Purchase and Development Agreement and conveyance of property to Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Itasca County. Recorder Groom noted all legal notices required by law had been met and no correspondence had been received.

Motion by Commissioner Hodnik, second by Commissioner Sutherland to open the public hearing. The following voted in favor thereof: Sutherland, Blake, Connelly, Hodnik. Opposed: None, passed unanimously.

There was no one from the public present.

Motion by Commissioner Connelly, second by Commissioner Hodnik to close the public hearing. The following voted in favor thereof: Hodnik, Connelly, Blake, Sutherland. Opposed: None, passed unanimously.

Motion by Commissioner Connelly, second by Commissioner Hodnik to adopt a resolution approving a purchase and development agreement and conveyance of property to Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Itasca County. The following voted in favor thereof: Sutherland, Blake, Connelly, Hodnik. Opposed: None, passed unanimously.

BUSINESS

4. Consider approval of a resolution and letter in support of an application by the Itasca County HRA to the Minnesota Housing Finance Administration for the development of eight additional affordable, owner-occupied, single-family homes in Forest Lake Addition.

Motion by Commissioner Hodnik, second by Commissioner Sutherland to adopt a resolution and letter of support of an application by the Itasca County HRA to the Minnesota Housing Finance Administration for the development of eight additional affordable, owner-occupied, single family homes in Forest Lake Addition. the following voted in favor thereof: Hodnik, Connelly, Blake, Sutherland. Opposed: None, passed unanimously.

5. Consider acceptance of a Letter of Intent to purchase Lot 3, Block 3 of Great River Acres submitted by Barbara Rydberg

Ms. Rydberg has submitted a letter of intent to purchase lot 3, block 3 in Great River Acres for \$23,500.

Motion by Commissioner Sutherland, second by Commissioner Hodnik to accept a letter of intent from Barbara Rydberg for the purchase of lot 3, block 3 Great River Acres in the amount of \$23,500. The following voted in favor thereof: Sutherland, Blake, Connelly, Hodnik. Opposed: None, passed unanimously.

6. Consider approval of engagements letters for professional appraisal and review appraisal services with Nagell Appraisal & Consulting and Day Group LLC.

Motion by Commissioner Connelly, second by Commissioner Sutherland to approve letters of engagement with Nagell Appraisal & Consulting and Day Group LLC. The following voted in favor thereof: Hodnik, Connelly, Blake, Sutherland. Opposed: None, passed unanimously.

7. Consider a proposal for wetland mitigation plan services

Motion by Commissioner Hodnik, second by Commissioner Connelly to approve a proposal for a wetland mitigation plan not to exceed \$9000.00. The following voted in favor thereof: Sutherland, Blake, Connelly, Hodnik. Opposed: None, passed unanimously.

UPDATES

ADJOURN

MEMBERS & TERMS

Tom Sutherland - 12/31/2023 Council Representative

Tasha Connelly - 12/31/2023 Council Representative

Mike Korte - 3/1/24

Wayne Bruns - 3/1/25

Sholom Blake - 3/1/25

Al Hodnik - 3/1/27