

GRAND RAPIDS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, July 25, 2024 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 25, 2024 at 4:00 PM.

CALL TO ORDER

CALL OF ROLL

PRESENT

Commissioner Al Hodnik
President Sholom Blake
Commissioner Wayne Bruns
Commissioner Tom Sutherland
Commissioner Bill Martinetto
Commissioner Molly MacGregor

ABSENT

Commissioner Malissa Bahr

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.

APPROVE MINUTES

1. Consider approval of minutes from the July 11, 2024 regular meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Hodnik, second by Commissioner Bruns to approve the minutes from the July 11, 2024 regular meeting. The following voted in favor thereof: Hodnik, Bruns, MacGregor, Blake, Martinetto, Sutherland. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

APPROVE CLAIMS

2. Consider approval of claims in the amount of \$47,524.61.

Motion by Commissioner Bruns, second by Commissioner Sutherland to approve the claims in the amount of \$47,524.62 and have Mr. Mattei look into the cost of title insurance. The following voted in favor thereof: Sutherland, Martinetto, Blake, MacGregor, Bruns, Hodnik. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS

3. Consider adopting a resolution approving a first amendment to the Purchase Agreement between Deerwood Bank and the Grand Rapids Economic Development Authority.

The first amendment allows for the closing date to be extended to on or before July 30, 2024 and a 3rd parcel to be conveyed at the time of closing.

Motion by Commissioner Bruns, second by Commissioner Martinetto to adopt a resolution approving a first amendment to the Purchase Agreement between Deerwood Bank and the Grand Rapids Economic Development Authority. The following voted in favor thereof: Hodnik, Bruns, MacGregor, Blake, Martinetto, Sutherland. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

UPDATES

HRA land sale- The closing date is set for August 30th, 2024.

Blandin Foundation Grant Application- The application for the Hwy 2 Corridor study will be submitted next week.

The Downtown Advisory Committee- They will be holding a planning meeting next week to discuss implementation of the work plan and budget.

GREDA Airport land purchase- The County Board approved the purchase it will go to the City Council for approval August 12th.

Unique Opportunities- The GREDA will conduct a public hearing on August 8th regarding the sale of parcel 91-410-2020.

Oppidan Housing- They will find out if they received a grant from Minnesota Housing in August.

ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

MEMBERS & TERMS

Tom Sutherland - 12/31/2024 Council Representative Molly MacGregor - 12/31/2024 Council Representative Wayne Bruns - 3/1/25 Sholom Blake - 3/1/25 Al Hodnik - 3/1/27 Bill Martinetto - 3/1/27 Malissa Bahr - 3/1/30