

Economic Development Board Meeting Minutes, June 10, 2020

The Zoom meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. Open meeting laws noted in City Office.

Members Present: Darcy Johnson, Derek Downer, Judy Jackson, Randy Heitmann, Logan Baker

Members Absent: Tom Shoemaker, Dave Custer, Jarod Albers, Jan tenBensel

Others Present: Melissa Jackson, Staci Pick, Judy McCune

Agenda Corrections or Additions: Add Barnes DPA, Carpenter subordination, and Judy McCune/Staci Pick about sand volleyball court.

Consent Approval of Financials/Invoices and Minutes and Bills: A motion to approve the Minutes and Bills was made by Logan Baker, seconded by Randy Heitmann. Motion carried.

New Business:

Melissa Jackson gave an activities report to the Board.

Judy and Staci gave an update that they are in the process of developing plans to build a sand volleyball court north of the Cobblestone Hotel, on hotel-owned property. The two are attending a zoning board meeting tonight. Judy and Staci will provide the ED Board with more complete plans and budget requests.

The EV Charging station at the Cobblestone is on hold because of Covid-19, however, there's a 2-year window to get it completed.

M. Jackson updated the Board on the results of the May gift card promotion with the Chamber of Commerce. She also gave an overview of Round 2 ideas and changes, and will present the information to the Board via email for a vote due to the lack of a quorum.

M. Jackson gave the board an update on Nebraska tax advantage repayment: we have a \$51,000 Nebraska Tax Advantage to re-pay. We will not have sales tax receipts in July and a small receipt in August.

The Board is set to have a special budget meeting as it is due in July for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

Project Updates:

M. Jackson gave an update on subordination agreement requests for Huxoll and Carpenter.

The Board will hold a joint committee meeting to discuss the rental of ground south of Brad Williams' storage units.

Town Hall meetings continue on a bi-weekly basis (one will be held June 12) until Covid-19 has passed.

Discussion was held on the Barnes Down Payment Assistance previously approved during the May 2020 meeting. Barnes has also applied with the Federal Home Loan Bank. Derek Downer reported that the FHLB will file a lien on the property when giving a \$5,000 grant. If ED is in 2nd position, the DPA request is still approved.

The next ED Board meeting is scheduled for July 8, 2020, at 12:00 p.m. in the City office.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:07 p.m.