

Economic Development Board Meeting Minutes, August 14, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 p.m. Open meeting laws noted in the City Office.

Members Present: Jarod Albers, Darcy Johnson, Randy Heitmann, Derek Downer Lori Harding, Judy Jackson, Jason Weiss

Members Absent: Tom Shoemaker, Jan tenBensel

Others Present: Melissa Jackson

Consent Approval of Financials/Invoices and Minutes and Bills: The Board reviewed the July financials. A motion was made by Jason Weiss, seconded by Judy Jackson, to approve the financials. Motion carried.

New Business:

M. Jackson gave an activities report.

The Board reviewed the Brush Down Payment Assistance application. A motion was made by Randy Heitmann, seconded by Derek Downer, to approve the application. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Garcia Down Payment Assistance application. A motion was made by Jarod Albers, seconded by Judy Jackson, to approve the application. Lori Harding abstained. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the tenBensel Down Payment Assistance application. A motion was made by Randy Heitmann, seconded by Jarod Albers, to approve the application. Lori Harding abstained. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Doyle Down Payment Assistance application. A motion was made by Randy Heitmann, seconded by Jason Weiss, to deny the application based on the property being outside of City limits as required by the Down Payment Assistance guidelines. Motion carried.

Project Updates:

A motion was made by Jason Weiss, seconded by Jarod Albers, to table discussion about including the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction (ETJ) for future Down Payment Assistance applications. M. Jackson is to gather further information from other communities as to how they handle this.

Public Comment:

Jarod Albers discussed Rural Workforce Housing funding.

M. Jackson gave an update on commercial properties in Harvest Meadows.

The Board discussed the new website logo.

Randy Heitmann noted the need/desire for Economic Development and the Board to focus more on bringing new business to town.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for September 11, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. at the City offices.