

Flandreau Development Corporation

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, January 4, 2018

Board members in attendance included Carleen Wild, Kelley Ramsdell, Dan Sutton, Shawn Jaacks, Jason Unger, Kimberly Schmidt; Ardene Boysen.

Other present included Jerry Doyle, Bob Pesall, Anna Duncan, Don Whitman, Rev. Dave Lillibridge, Angie Brown, Linnea Janssen.

Meeting called to order at 5:30PM.

Dan moved to approve the agenda; Shawn seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

Dan moved to approve past minutes; Shawn seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

President's Report – Carleen Wild

Carleen gave highlights from the past month and upcoming events:

- Carleen is still following up with Dusty Lau about his business
- Industrial properties are relatively the same: no activity at Aquaponix; Randy Tiedeman's construction is still delayed
- Mad Mary's Steakhouse has new ownership—Danny and Christina Schmidt
- Tyler Kills-A-Hundred is hoping to resume construction on the meat locker and have it completed by July 4, 2018; Don Whitman discussed following up about unpaid bills
- Discussion about selecting a speaker for the FDC spring meeting

Treasurer's Report – Jessica Hovland

No Treasurer's Report was given.

Economic Development Committee Report – Shawn Jaacks

Shawn and Carleen gave a report on tasks that the Economic Development Committee has worked on:

- Don Whitman recently announced his retirement as City Administrator, so FDC is in discussion with the City Council to incorporate the economic development responsibilities into the new City Administrator that will replace Don; the job description that the City will post within the next 24 hours was presented and included economic development as a priority
- Dan Sutton and First District completed a housing/lot map of the City, indicating lots available for sale or that are vacant and descriptions
- Discussion about developing, improving, or implementing a tax deferral plan for incentivizing investment into lots

- Discussion about having a specific process for receiving and following up on inquiries about vacant lots for sale
- Discussion about putting signage on the re-zoned lot (from residential to commercial) next to Tractor Supply, Inc.

Jason moved to authorize up to \$1,000.00 for the purchase of signage for the re-zoned lot indicating lots available for sale; Kelley seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

Housing Committee Report – Carleen Wild

Carleen gave a report on tasks that the Housing Committee has worked on:

- No new reports on any expressed interest in Southview Heights lots
- Discussion about reviewing covenants of Southview Heights lots with other types of residential structures in mind

Membership Committee Report – Ardene Boysen

Ardene gave a report on tasks that the Membership Committee has worked on:

- The Committee presented a proposed a new fee schedule for membership; discussion about minimizing confusion; and the proposed fee scheduled was modified.

Jason moved to implement a new membership fee schedule for 2018: \$50.00 suggested fee for individuals, churches, non-profits; \$100.00 suggested fee for businesses; Ardene seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

Chambers/Events Committee Report – Jessica Hovland

Carleen gave a report on tasks that the Chambers/Events Committee has worked on:

- There are currently no new events planned.
- Discussion about scheduling annual meeting.

New Business

- Legislative Cracker Barrel will be held on February 10 at 9:00AM at Flandreau Public School
- A tournament request was received for 2018
- Board members with expiring terms are Ardene Boysen, Jessica Hovland, Shawn Jaacks
- Discussion about reaching out to potential speakers for the annual meeting.
- Angie Brown presented on Wellmark’s Healthy Hometown Initiative—free program to survey and propose policy, social, and structural changes to make in the city to promote healthy, active, accessible lifestyles
- Members of the community in attendance came to listen to the presentation and were supportive of taking additional steps to continue with the program
- Schedule follow-up meeting with Wellmark and invite public to attend

Carleen moved to adjourn at 6:37pm.