

# **Flandreau Development Corporation**

## **Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, October 4, 2018

### **Call to Order**

Carleen Wild called to order the meeting of the Flandreau Development Corporation at 5:32 on October 4, 2018 in the Flandreau City Office meeting room.

### **Roll Call**

Board members in attendance included Carleen Wild, Kim Schmidt, Jason Unger, Shawn Jaacks, Mike Witte, Dan Sutton, Scott Hargens.

Others present: Colin Cartwright

### **New Business**

Colin Cartwright gave an update about progress with Aquaponics. There has been no project construction work done yet, mostly due to financing and weather issues. Aquaponics members will be meeting with a financial planner to work on a budget and financing options, and he plans to develop a business plan along the lines of a handout that he provided to FDC board members.

The board discussed continued need to have a more formal process of providing assistance options to people interested in doing business in Flandreau and developing land and opportunities. The discussion noted the tax incentive plan statuses between the city and the county, and resources available through the State to which FDC could direct people.

### **President's Report – Carleen Wild**

Carleen gave a brief update about work with Wellmark and the Healthy Hometown Initiative and plans to meet with school staff and community partners to establish a cross-walk and safe walking route network for students.

### **Housing Committee – Carleen Wild**

Carleen gave a report on the committee's recent activity:

- The committee is still working with developers, contractors, and community partners to vet options for developing vacant lots in Southview Heights.

### **Marketing/Events Committee – Jessica Hovland/Carleen Wild**

Carleen gave a report on the committee's recent activity:

- Some upcoming events to be aware of are the Christmas Parade and Trunk or Treat.
- Trunk or Treat is asking FDC to reconsider funding that would allow the event to provide free food to participants. The Board discussed and kept its current contribution in place for advertising.
- FDC needs to decide whether it will have a float in the Christmas Parade, and if we will have board members able to participate.

### **Economic Development Committee – Dan Sutton**

Dan provided a summary of topics addressed by the Economic Development Committee:

- The committee met with Tyler Kills-A-Hundred about the Flandreau Meat Locker, the board's expectation that there will be construction progress, and the board's decision to rescind the previous motion to provide tax re-payment benefits.
- Flandreau Meat Locker anticipates significant progress in the coming weeks.
- Dan explained that Flandreau Meat Locker has not been on track with expectations, and that the additional area of the granted lot was intended to revert back to FDC. After discussion with Tyler, Dan recommends that the Board incur the cost of platting the extra area of the lot on the condition that Tyler agrees to and does deed that extra area back to FDC as intended.

Dan Sutton moved to approve FDC expending funds to plat the industrial lot provided to the Flandreau Meat Locker/Tyler Kills-A-Hundred pursuant to agreement with the Flandreau Meat Locker/Tyler Kills-A-Hundred, and on the condition that the Flandreau Meat Locker/Tyler Kill-A-Hundred deeds that new platted section of the lot back to FDC as intended by the parties at the time the lot was provided to the Flandreau Meat Locker/Tyler Kills-A-Hundred; Jason Unger seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

### **Membership Committee – Scott Hargens**

Scott reported on discussions held by the Housing Committee:

- Membership committee met with city office staff to review membership invoicing and membership rolls.
- Committee is putting together a master list of members and contact info, and will continue to work out details for when invoicing should take place and when payment is due.
- Ongoing discussion to encourage participation from all local businesses and individuals even in when unable to afford entire suggested dues amount.

Carleen Wild Adjourned the meeting at 6:14.