

**MINUTES
CITY OF LONSDALE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
AUGUST 21, 2008**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-President Lieske called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers at 415 Central St. W.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Pierskalla, Dietz, Furrer, Duban, Smith and Lieske

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Kuchinka

STAFF PRESENT:

City Administrator Joel Erickson

OTHERS PRESENT:

None

2. AGENDA

Lieske asked if anyone had any additions or deletions to the agenda. A motion was made by Duban and seconded by Smith to approve the agenda as presented. Vote for: Pierskalla, Dietz, Furrer, Duban, Smith and Lieske Against: None Vote 6-0. Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE JULY 17, 2008 REGULAR MEETING

Lieske asked if anyone had any addition or deletions to the minutes. A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Pierskalla to approve the minutes of July 17, 2008 meeting. Vote for: Pierskalla, Dietz, Furrer, Duban, Smith and Lieske Against: None Vote 6-0. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT

Erickson reviewed the July 2008 Treasurer's report. A motion was made by Furrer and seconded by Duban to approve the July 2008 Treasurer Report. Vote for: Pierskalla, Dietz, Furrer, Duban, Smith and Lieske Against: None Vote 6-0. Motion carried.

5. OLD BUSINESS

a. Update on Proposed Business Park

Erickson stated the property owner has applied for and the Planning Commission will be holding public hearings for a comprehensive plan amendment from housing to commercial-industrial and a rezone from residential to industrial tonight at their meeting. He encouraged members to attend the meeting if possible. There was general discussion on the proposed uses and site layout.

b. Discuss Main Street Lighting and Landscaping Options

Furrer stated that her and Duban met with Kevin Malecha of Don's Affordable Landscaping to discuss landscaping options for the Main Street sidewalks and pedestrian crossings. Erickson said he spoke with the Public Works Director to get the current street light plans so the landscaping options could be developed. Erickson said he would get the plans right a way. Furrer asked where the EDA wanted to go from here. There was general discussion on how the EDA wanted to proceed.

c. Update on Downtown Businesses Signs for Highway 19

Erickson said he has been working with MnDoT on this project and it is taking longer than expected.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Update on Small Cities Development Grant (SCDG) Joint Application with Montgomery

Erickson provided a quick summary of the proposed SCDP Grant joint application with the City of Montgomery. He said so far, it has not and does not look like it will cost the City any money to submit the application.

b. 2009 Budget Request

Erickson said due to levy limits, it was not looking like the EDA was going to get \$100,000.00 in funding in 2009. He said he has proposed a \$50,000.00 request to the City Council. There was general discussion if the EDA should still request \$100,000.00. Smith said anything above \$50,000.00 is unlikely. A motion was made by Duban and seconded by Pierskalla to request \$50,000.00 in funding for fiscal year 2009. Vote for: Pierskalla, Dietz, Furrer, Duban, Smith and Lieske Against: None Vote 6-0. Motion carried.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

a. None

8. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Pierskalla to adjourn the meeting. Vote for: Pierskalla, Furrer, Duban, Dietz, Smith and Lieske. Against: None Vote 6-0. Motion carried. The meeting ended at 8:27 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Joel A. Erickson, City Administrator