

**MINUTES  
CITY OF LONSDALE  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
OCTOBER 13, 2009**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

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

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Furrer, Duban, Kuchinka, Pierskalla, Smith and Lieske

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Dietz

**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 Kuchinka to approve the agenda as presented. Vote for: Furrer, Duban, Lieske, Kuchinka, Smith and Pierskalla Against: None Vote 6-0. Motion carried.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 17, 2009  
REGULAR MEETING**

Lieske asked if anyone had any addition or deletions to the minutes. A motion was made by Furrer and seconded by Duban to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2009 regular meeting. Vote for: Furrer, Duban, Lieske, Kuchinka, Smith and Pierskalla Against: None Vote 6-0. Motion carried.

**4. APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER'S REPORT**

Erickson reviewed the September 2009 Treasurer's report. He stated the beginning balance, revenue(s), expenditure(s) and ending balance. A motion was made by Duban and seconded by Kuchinka to approve the September 2009 Treasurer's Report. Vote for: Furrer, Duban, Kuchinka, Lieske, Smith and Pierskalla Against: None Vote 6-0. Motion carried.

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

a. Update on Small Cities Development Program Grant

Erickson stated that the bid opening for six residential and one commercial property projects has been scheduled for September 29, 2009 at 2:00 pm. He said

once the bids are reviewed, contracts would be signed and construction would begin.

b. Update on the “Lonsdale First” Program

Erickson said he sent out 110 letters to city businesses to see if they want to participate in the program. He said the program will begin on Monday, November 16, 2009 and in the meantime, he will work with Creative Print Solutions to design the card, advertise in the paper and order the other supplies.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Review of Hometown Minnesota, Inc. – Creating a “Sense of Place” Seminar

Erickson reviewed the meeting attended by Dietz and himself. He said Lonsdale was farther ahead than others attending the meeting, by already having a streetscape plan in place. Erickson said it was good to attend to realize that Lonsdale is not alone in trying to create a visually appealing and viable downtown.

b. Review and Status of 2009 EDA Goals

The Board reviewed the goals set at the beginning of 2009. Kuchinka said he would talk to Judy Pumper about the EDA constructing a billboard adjacent to I-35. Erickson said he would contact Rice County to gauge interest in a billboard for the County. The Board decided to invite the Lonsdale Area Chamber Board to the next EDA meeting to increase communications, discuss how to more closely work together on increasing local patronage and a welcome service to welcome new businesses to town.

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Furrer and seconded by Duban to adjourn the meeting. Vote for: Furrer, Duban, Lieske, Kuchinka, Smith and Pierskalla Against: None Vote 6-0. Motion carried. The meeting ended at 8:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Joel A. Erickson, City Administrator