

EAST BETHEL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING
April 18, 2016

The Economic Development Authority (EDA) met for a regular meeting at 7:00 pm at City Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dan Butler, Chair Doug Welter Julie Lux
 Brian Bezanson Brian Mundle Steve Voss

ALSO PRESENT: Jack Davis, City Administrator
 Colleen Winter, Community Development Director

1.0 Call to Order Chairperson Butler called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2.0 Adopt **Mr. Bezanson moved and Ms. Lux seconded to adopt the agenda as**
Agenda **submitted.** Chair Butler asked that items 5, 6, 7 be tabled to next month. **Mr.**
 Bezanson moved and Ms. Lux seconded to withdraw their previous motion
 and second. Motion carried. Mr. Mundle moved and Mr. Bezanson seconded
 to amendment the agenda with items 5, 6, 7 being tabled to the next meeting.
 Mr. Voss clarified if the items were to be tabled to later on the agenda at this
 meeting or postponed to another meeting. Chair Butler wanted the items moved
 to another meeting. **Motion carried.**

3.0 Approve **Mr. Welter moved and Mr. Bezanson seconded to approve the March 21,**
3/21/16 Minutes **2016 minutes as presented. Motion carried.** Mr. Voss abstained.

4.0 Position Five candidates were interviewed in this order: 1) Chad Howard, 2) Oskar
Interviews for Granquist, 3) Dustin Schroeder, 4) Robert Haig, and 5) Catherine Lancrain.
EDA Vacancy

8.0 City Council Brian Mundle reported that the City Council accepted the following: 2015 audit,
Report Sauters Commercial Park 2nd addition final plat and developers agreement, and
 the EDA Strategic Plan for business recruitment and retention.

There have been meetings on the Sandhill Crane natural area. Currently, part of the area is in the school trust lands which puts that section at risk for clear cutting. One plan is to exchange that land with some land from the Sand Dune State Park which would eliminate the clear cutting risk, however, there still would be selective cutting on the land. Nothing has been defined at this time.

The Council reviewed the snowmobile ordinance and changed it to be uniform for everyone to ride in the City right-of-way.

Four upcoming events: Tuesday, April 19 Town Hall meeting at 6:00 pm MN Dot and Mid-Continent representatives will be present, Saturday, April 23 Arbor Day with a 10:00 am tree planting by local Scouts at Booster East, Wednesday, April 20 at 6:00 pm Boards of Appeals and Equalization meeting for residents that have questions on their tax evaluations or classifications, and April 27 special meeting for the Business Retention and Expansion kickoff commencement meeting.

9.0 Selection of new EDA Board member and Recommendation to City Council A ballot vote was held; Mr. Granquist received the three votes and three other candidates received one vote apiece. **Mr. Bezanson moved and Ms. Lux seconded to recommend the City Council appoint Mr. Granquist as an EDA Board member. Motion carried.**

10.0 Adjourn **Mr. Mundle moved and Mr. Bezanson seconded to adjourn at 8:01 pm. Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Gail Gessner, Recording Secretary
Submitted 4/19/16