

CITY OF MAYER  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING  
Minutes  
September 16, 2014

Members Present: Scott Wakefield, Tice Stieve-McPadden, and Thomas Stifter.

Members Absent: Tim Duckworth and Erick Boder

Staff Present: Luayn Murphy, City Administrator

Others Present: None

The meeting was called to order by Vice- Chair Stifter at 6:38 PM.

**Approval of Agenda**

On a motion by Commissioner Stieve-McPadden and seconded by Commissioner Wakefield to approve the agenda with one addition Candidate Forum. Motion carried 3/0.

**Approval of the Minutes**

On a motion by Commissioner Wakefield and seconded by Commissioner Stifter to approve the minutes of the July 29, 2014 meeting. Motion carried 3/0.

**Discussion on the Creamery**

The Commission has been asked to make a recommendation on the Creamery whether the city should return it to the state or keep the building. The Commission discussed the pros and cons on the building.

**Bluejay Parking Lot**

Founders Square property owners are proposing to add on to the building which will require additional parking. The City Council is asking whether the EDA would like to participate in the cost of the parking lot.

**Review of Advertising Request**

EDA had requested that the Staff inquire about additional advertising at the trailhead and on highway 7. Based on MN Dot policy the trailhead does not meet requirements for additional signage.

*"2. Signing shall only be allowed from the nearest trunk highway intersection or interchange. Signs directing Motorists from one truck highway to another trunk highway shall not be allowed."*

**Business Update**

Update that Finn's is under a new name Weekenders.

**Candidate Forum**

Scott Wakefield is proposing that the EDA sponsor a candidate forum. Two forums held with one for the Mayor and City Council Candidates and another with the Sheriff and County Commissioner Candidates.

**Other Business**

Commissioner Stieve-McPadden brought up the issue of the fire department lot and whether the City should be selling the lot. This issue will be presented to the City Council at a Work Session.

Vice Chair Stifter updated the EDA on the Car Show that they had more cars in 2014 than in 2013. In 2013 average of 25 units and in 2014 between 30-50 units. Commissioner Stifter would like to purchase T-Shirts for the people helping him the cost would be \$50 each for up to three shirts. EDA Members requested more quotes on the T-shirts.

**Adjournment**

On a motion by Commissioner Wakefield and seconded by Commissioner Stieve-McPadden to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM. Motion carried 3/0.