

# Minutes

Regular Meeting  
Thursday, July 13, 2006  
3:30 p.m.  
Lake Melissa Room, Human Services Building  
Detroit Lakes, MN

<b>Meeting called by:</b>	Mike Metelak
<b>Type of meeting:</b>	Regular Meeting
<b>Attendees:</b>	Harry Salminen, Karen Mulari, Mike Metelak, Terry Johnson (arrived at 3:50), Gerald Schram, Dan Aune, Paul Joyce Staff present: Jon Thomsen, Guy Fischer, Shawn Olson Other Attendees: Dave Hochhalter, Dan Berg, Cleone Stewart, Brady Markuson, Kelcey Klemm
<b>Board Members Absent:</b>	None

## Agenda topics

- 1) Call Regular Meeting to order:** M Metelak called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.
- 2) Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda: Motion** and second to approve the Agenda with the following addition: Add to Agenda topic #6: Audubon Residential Lot Purchase (P Joyce, G Schram), carried.
- 3) Economic Development – Tourism:** G Fischer presented information on the State of Minnesota Resort Loan Program and initiated discussion on an interim strategy of providing a business subsidy at the County level. Discussion followed. It was the consensus of the EDA Board to bring County Officials into the discussion, conduct additional due diligence, then return to the EDA Board for further discussion.
- 4) Approval of Minutes from June 8, 2006 Regular Meeting: Motion** and second to approve the Minutes of the June 8, 2006 Regular Meeting (D Aune, T Johnson), carried with P Joyce abstaining.
- 5) Monthly Financial Report:** Staff presented the monthly financial report. Discussion followed. **Motion** and second to accept the financial report (T Johnson, H Salminen), carried.
- 6) Monthly Economic Development Report:** K Klemm (City of Frazee) updated the EDA Board on the activities of the Frazee Swift Task Force and announced the award of grant funds for contamination investigation. It was noted that assistance from the EDA might be needed when the City applies for a DEED redevelopment grant. G Fischer reported on the required certification for the South 10 Industrial Park, planned expansion by Dakota Kid, Audubon Team Industries safety issues, White Earth biodiesel interest, MHP Green Predevelopment Grant, potential County Parks/Recreation grant and the MN Dept of Agriculture study. No action taken. K Klemm noted that DEED has funds for industrial park development.

**7) Monthly Housing Report:**

- a) Monthly Report:** J Thomsen updated the EDA Board on the rental assistance and housing development programs. It was noted that Ottertail Wadena CAC has a need for an extra crew and may use Becker County's ICWC Crew to build their houses.
- b) Audubon Residential Lot Purchase:** Discussion followed on purchasing land for future housing development. **Motion** and second to authorize J Thomsen to spend up to \$24,000, including Special Assessments, on two or more lots in Audubon (H Salminen, P Joyce), carried with T Johnson abstaining.

**8) 2007 HRA Levy:** Staff presented preliminary information for review purposes, only; EDA Board action would be needed at the August meeting. No action taken.

**9) EDA Board – Open Forum:** There being no further business brought before the Board,

**10) Adjourn:** **Motion** and second to adjourn the meeting at 5:05 p.m. (T Johnson, H Salminen), carried.

ATTEST:

Respectfully submitted:

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_ Jon Thomsen  
Housing Director

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_ Mike Metelak  
EDA Board President