

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
April 11, 2024

EDC President Robert Forster called the meeting to order Thursday April 11, 2024 at 6 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Present at the meeting were President-Robert Forster, Vice-President Tammy Dubbels, Secretary-Suzette Arndt, Dolores Mueller, Linda Blonn, and Phil Anderson.

EDC meeting minutes from March 14, 2024 were reviewed Tammy Dubbels entertained a motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Dolores Mueller seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

Suzette Arndt presented a bid from Ellis Electric to change out the entry lights and the office lights for \$3144 and the Town Hall mtg room to LED for \$4495. It will save on the energy cost for the town. Robert Forster asked why we only had one bid. Tammy Dubbels stated that we can not get anyone to come and do the small jobs. Ellis Electric has done work for the town and they have always done great work. Linda Blonn made a motion to accept the bid for both rooms for the total cost of \$7639, Phil Anderson seconded. The motion carried 6-0

Suzette Arndt brought up that last month she presented a request for MCO for a camera for the sewer, the information that was brought was for the wrong thing. We approved the amount of \$9448.62 when the camera was \$8707. We saved \$741.62 on the purchase of the camera.

Pulse Technology came out to see the back room to give an estimate for preparing it for compliance per the State requirements. Tammy Dubbels met with Chip to explain what was needed for the room. They came back with the price for the conference table and credenza, mailbox, along with the chairs the cost came to \$22,266.41. They were rather high and so Tammy and Suzette started looking for cheaper prices for the chairs. We were able to locate better prices on Amazon. We will still look for better prices for the conference chairs for the people to sit in for meetings. Linda Blonn made a motion to approve the Amazon order for the mailbox, big and tall office chairs, and the Lobby chair for \$10201.80 Phil Anderson seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

Phil Anderson made a motion to approve the credenza, conference table top and base at the cost of \$11617, Dolores Mueller seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

Pulse Technology's recommendation of a 70-inch Sharp Interactive display, wall mounted with a tilt mount, comes with the Sharp Pen software, ceiling mounted PTZ camera,

Omnidirectional MIC ceiling mounted, audio and video controller with hub, streaming and recorder unit with SD media, ethernet cabling to server closet, install, setup, programming and training. The cost is \$19,750 for everything to be done. Linda Blonn made a motion to approve Pulse Technology install at the cost of \$19,750 Phil Anderson seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

Discussed the repairs for the sign. The cost of the parts came to \$525. We do not think to keep repairing the sign will be cost effective to continue. The new parts were put in and the sign may have worked for about an hour and then stopped working. Linda Blonn will look into some different sign options. Theirry Lyles works for Family Express and he will talk to them and see if we can get a sign cheaper through them. Motion made to approve \$525 for repair. Motion carried 6-0

Tammy Dubbels said that we received tax bills for the property for Hearthstone for \$7.70 and for \$73.30 for Coyote side total cost of \$81. Linda made a motion to approve the taxes. Tammy Dubbels seconded. The motion carried 6-0

Verbal approval of Bob Cauffman removal of basketball court from Drazer Park for \$2300. We approved it by email as it was talked about in the meeting last month and did not vote on it. Email approvals were attached to last month's minutes.

Tammy Dubbels asked if the EDC would be interested in having the planters done in town. We have a total of 5. Phil Anderson said his wife Alicia may be interested in completing this and he will talk to her. A cost of \$600 to purchase flowers was discussed and Tammy Dubbels made a motion to approve \$600 for the flower to be planted. Dolores Mueller seconded. The motion carried 6-0.

Walking trail was discussed briefly.

Suzette Arndt brought up replacing our Flag stand and flag. The flag is pinned up with a push pin and that is not a good representation for the flag, and asked about getting it replaced. Robert Forster said he will talk to the American Legion and see if they will donate one.

President Robert Forster

Vice-President Tammy Dubbels