

**APPROVED MINUTES
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
SEPTEMBER 14, 2015
5:30 PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

President Mike Soule called the Regular Meeting of the Wyoming Economic Development Authority for September 14, 2015 to order at 5:30 P.M.

CALL OF ROLL:

On a Call of the Roll the following members of the Wyoming EDA were present: Mayor Eric Peterson and Council Member Claire Luger

EDA Members: Mike Soule, Dennis Schilling, Ed Prigge and Roger Elmore

ABSENT: Bulmer

Also Present: Robb Linwood, Assistant City Administrator

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

The President determined a Quorum was present.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

OPEN FORUM:

"An opportunity for members of the public to address the EDA on items not on the current Agenda. Items requiring EDA action maybe deferred to staff for research and future EDA Agendas if appropriate."

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- 1 **Consider approving the minutes of the "Regular Meeting" of the Wyoming, Minnesota Economic Development Agency for August 10, 2015.**

A MOTION WAS MADE BY EDA ELMORE SECONDED BY EDA MEMBER SCHILLING TO APPROVE THE "REGULAR MEETING" MINUTES OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR AUGUST 10, 2015

Voting Aye: Soule, Elmore Peterson, Schilling, Prigge and Luger

Voting Nay:

Abstain: Bulmer

SCHEDULED BID LETTINGS: NONE.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE

CONSENT AGENDA: NONE

Items under the "Consent Agenda" will be adopted with one motion; however, council members may request individual items to be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion and action if they choose.

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

COMMUNICATIONS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

2. Lawton Ware

Mr. Ware has had significant experience in managing and operating hotels. Discussed with the EDA about what he had experienced in his years of hotel operation. Suggested that our hotel study will not attract developers alone and that we needed to have an investor. Felt that our community will need to be a destination or it will need to have a transient population or business community that needs rooms during the week. The EDA thanked Mr. Ware for his time.

Brainstorming/Updates

Assistant Administrator Linwood – Updated the EDA on the Hotel Study and that we are hopeful that its completion will be within the next 30 days. We are optimistic to present it at our October Meeting, if not it will be most definitely will be on the November Agenda.

Brew Pubs – EDA Member Schilling discussed how the City of West St. Paul was looking at changing their ordinances to attract Brew Pubs to their area. The EDA thought that this was an item that could be looked at on the next EDA agenda and what steps they could do to try to attract this type of business to the area.

East Viking Blvd Mixed Use – The EDA discussed that this area could be potentially developed for commercial use. Would like to make sure the Planning Commission reviews this area when they are updating the comprehensive plan.

Arts Event - Chisago County HRA will be hosting an in that will be a review of a new study on the Economic Impact of Arts and Culture on Chisago County. Creative Minnesota will be presenting their findings along with local artists that will talk about how they see the arts influencing our economy. This will take place on October 22, 2015 from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. at the Hallberg Center for the Arts in Wyoming.

ADJOURN:

**A MOTION WAS MADE BY EDA MEMBER SCHILLING SECONDED BY EDA MEMBER PETERSON
ADJOURN THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 “REGULAR MEETING” OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING 6:47**

Voting Aye: Soule, Elmore, Peterson, Prigge, Luger, and Schilling

Voting Nay:

Abstain: