

CITY OF EAGLE LAKE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
SEPTEMBER 26, 2019

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:47 a.m. by Administrator Bromeland.

Members Present: Dennis Terrell, Brooke Wach, John Ries, Jim Beal, John Whittington, Christine Black-Hughes

Staff Present: Jennifer Bromeland, Kerry Rausch

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's report was presented.

New Business:

1. 2020 Holiday Shop Local Effort

- Administrator Bromeland will be meeting with Kim Daschner, business owner, and Bridget Larson, Park Board Chair, regarding the 2020 Holiday Shop Local effort to explore the possibility of including a Park Board event in conjunction with the Shop Local effort.
- The EDA brainstormed ideas which included Stories with Santa and a Christmas Tree Lighting.
- John Ries moved, seconded by Brooke Wach, to authorize up to \$1,000 for advertising and administrative type expenses. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Strategic Plan

- A grant application has been submitted to SMIF and the city should hear back in November on this.

3. Childcare Grant

- Administrator Bromeland met with Epiphany Lutheran Church and Preschool about grant eligibility and becoming parent aware rated.
- The core team will next need to determine grant guidelines and get them to Epiphany.

4. 2020 Funding Allocation for EDA

- The City Council is proposing to increase the EDA's budget from the \$41,000 in 2019 to \$51,000 in 2020 stating the desire to build the EDA funds so that the EDA will eventually have funds to do something.

5. Daschner Lot Update

- Administrator Bromeland relayed that Ben and Kim Daschner are planning to begin construction, on the parcel east of Dasch Salon, in the spring of 2020 and have two or three interested tenants.

6. 301 and 305 Parkway Avenue

- There have been no inquiries on these parcels recently.

- The EDA discussed the fact that these parcels have been available for purchase by the public for almost one year and expressed the desire to explore options such as listing with a commercial realtors, listing on a state site for property sales, and having the parcels appraised to assist with establishing a purchase price.
- All members of the public, including members of the City Council, would be able to purchase these parcels. If a council members makes a purchase offer, they should abstain from voting on this at a city council meeting.

7. Miscellaneous Updates - Housing and Motor Sports Park

- Craig Thueninck has submitted building permits for Phase II of his development with construction to begin this fall.
- The Ringbaum project developers are looking at constructing two 3-plexes to meet city zoning requirements.
- The City is working with LeRay Township on a joint orderly annexation agreement relating to the Motor Sports Park.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:30 a.m.