



**GOODHUE COUNTY
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

Tuesday, March 6, 2018- 4:00 p.m.

Goodhue County Board Room

Red Wing, MN 55066

Present: Commissioners: Brad Anderson, Ron Allen, Jason Majerus, Barney Nesseth, Paul Drotos

Other members: Dan King. Gary Schmidgall was absent.

County Administrator Arneson called for nominations for 2018 Economic Development Authority Board Chairman.

C/Anderson nominated C/Drotos as Chair. Administrator Arneson asked three times for any other nominations. There were no other nominations.

Motion passed unanimously naming C/Drotos the 2018 Chairman of the Economic Development Authority.

C/Drotos called for nominations for the 2018 Vice Chairman for the Economic Development Authority.

C/Allen nominated C/Nesseth as Vice Chair. Second by C/Anderson. C/Drotos asked for any other nominations. There were no other nominations.

Motion passed unanimously naming C/Nesseth the 2018 Vice Chairman of the Economic Development Authority.

C/Drotos called for a motion to appoint members of the County Board to the board of the EDA.

Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Majerus, and carried to approve to appoint members of the County Board to the Board of Economic Development Authority.

C/Drotos called for a motion to appoint the Finance Director as the Treasurer of the EDA.

Moved by C/Majerus, seconded by C/Anderson, and carried to approve to appoint the Finance Director as the Treasurer of the Economic Development Authority.

C/Drotos called for a motion to appoint the County Attorney as the Attorney of the Economic Development Authority.

Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Majerus, and carried to approve to appoint the County Attorney as the Attorney of the Economic Development Authority.

Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/Allen, carried to approve the EDA Board Agenda.

Moved by C/Majerus, seconded by C/Anderson, and carried to approve the November 7, 2017 EDA board minutes.

Lake City EDA 2017 Annual Report

Lisa Babington with the Lake City Economic Development Authority reviewed the 2017 Lake City EDA annual report with the board.

Red Wing HRA 2017 Annual Report

Randall Hemmerlin, executive director for the Red Wing HRA reviewed the 2017 HRA activities report with the board.

Opportunity Zones Resolution of Support. The Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development has confirmed the eligibility of three census tracts located within Goodhue County and one tract located in Wabasha County. Staff representing each of the areas has met and determined rankings for the eligible tracts. Staff recommends the EDA Board and the County Board approve the following three eligible census tracts ranked highest to lowest priority for Opportunity Zones in the City of Red Wing, Goodhue County: 1. Tract 802 2. Tract 801.01 3. Tract 801.02 In addition, staff recommends working cooperatively with Wabasha County on their respective applications for Opportunity Zones.

Moved by C/Allen, seconded by C/Anderson, and carried to approve the following three eligible census tracts ranked highest to lowest priority for Opportunity Zones in the City of Red Wing, Goodhue County:

1. *Tract 802*
2. *Tract 801.01*
3. *Tract 801.02*

In addition, staff recommends working cooperatively with Wabasha County on their respective applications for Opportunity Zones.

Moved by C/Anderson, seconded by C/King, carried to approve adjourn the March 6, 2018 EDA Board Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Scott Arneson
Executive Secretary