

JUNE 10, 2015 WASHBURN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

4:00 P.M. Washburn Public Library – Book Bin Room

Members Present: Rick M. Geisen, John Baregi, Peter Bremner;  
Nathan Engstrom, Christine Kelly, Taylor Pearson,

Members Absent: Jon Wheeler

Municipal Personnel Present: Scott A. Griffiths, Mayor; City Administrator Scott  
J. Kluver; Ken Cammilleri, Assistant City  
Administrator; Savanna Richter, Intern

**Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order by Chair Geisen in the Book Bin Room of the Library at 4:01 p.m.

**Approval of Meeting Minutes – May 13, 2015** – Baregi moved and Pearson seconded to approve the minutes of May 13, 2015. Motion carried 5-0. (Kelly arrived at 4:04 p.m.)

**Discussion and Action on Marketing of Property South of Omaha Street** – Kluver had made contact with Nelson Surveying on identifying utilities at the subject property and indicating them on a survey map. It is estimated to cost \$800, and hopefully the information would be available at the next meeting. Kluver also relayed that, through happenstance, he discussed the idea of Seth Hudson, a former state economic development employee who now works with Cedar Corporation, to assist with the idea of marketing the subject land. Kluver and Hudson are hoping to meet later this month. The membership was reluctant to enter into any agreements at this time, but would welcome any information and suggestions in order to better formulate how to proceed. It is hoped this information could be provided, or that Mr. Hudson could be available at least by phone at the next meeting.

**Discussion of Utility Connection Requirements** – Discussion occurred on the potential to identify parcels with “issues” that could be developed after fixing the “issues.” Staff concerns on the ability to effectively identify all concerns and maintain information. Discussion shifted to determine if there is a need/market for additional residential properties. Consensus occurred after discussion to invite three local realtors, including Jon Wheeler, to discuss the needs and demands on the residential property market in Washburn at the next meeting. Bremner volunteered to coordinate.

**Discussion on Website Content** – Kelly presented a page of potential content for the WDA. The potential content was reviewed and will be incorporated into the City’s webpage.

**Future Agenda Item Topics** – Discussion with realtors on property needs in the City, and potential discussion with Seth Hudson of Cedar Corporation on the marketing of the property south of Omaha Street.

**Adjourn** – Pearson moved and Bremner seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott J. Kluver  
Executive Director