



Meeting commences at 5:04pm

In Attendance: Jon Nienow, John Prigge, John Stiles, Larry Rupprecht, Phil Kalmes

Unable to attend: Sean Sannes, Russ Buege

1. **Agenda Reviewed:** Accepted unanimously
2. **June Minutes Review:** Question regarding Glover Lanes from the minutes was asked, was addressed later in the meeting as well. Minutes accepted unanimously
3. **Finances:** Glover Lanes and LA Lanes numbers were discussed. The actions we can take are limited and we can talk to our lawyer again for more advice. The numbers were status quo, some numbers could be moved around to make more sense. Finances accepted unanimously.
4. **Old Main City Hall:** City Council still running the sale, no sealed bids last month.
 - a. **Other Downtown Buildings:** There are five buildings for sale in the downtown, City Council has still not approached the EDA's old recommendation of adhering to the comprehensive plan. Larry Rupprecht was going to bring up the issue under Trails Plan.
5. **Highway 14 Corridor Project: Landscaping Update:** All costs will be covered, well under the \$8,000 we were granted. Larry following up about more projects we could do for our money near the Kwik Trip area corner. A sign holder will be added to the current spot we are working. A plaque may also go up saying thanks to MNDOT and Beautification Committee.
6. **Trails Plan:** Coleman is following up on SRTS path. Painting is done. Lights are done. Trails committee wants to know more on what development the city is doing. They believe it is hard to add bike trails to new developments if there are no new developments. Having a total community meeting (P&Z, eda, council, etc) could help guide the development. Could EDA have a presentation from the comprehensive plan. Jon Nienow was concerned that EDA has already done its job by asking the Council to annex and redevelop downtown with no response.
7. **Nature Preserve:** Winona State still working with us. They want to know if we are planning to do a mechanized water control on the NW pond. Brian and Larry brought up that it could be possible and they will look into it more. Jon Alness did the final mowing, reported there is a lot of clover on the low parts of the area. Brian will follow up with Daryl Buck about the clover issue. Will also inform Sean Sannes.

Phil Kalmes left the meeting at 6:05

8. **Heartland Days:** Conversation about the bill from Heartland Days regarding their advertising with the Lewiston Journal has come to the EDA. We have paid full and partial amounts in the

past. Last year, we implored the Heartland Days Committee to work with us on the advertisement this year, they did not. However, the fireworks were a great success and it was an overall great event for the community. Motion to pay 931.38 set by Larry Rupprecht, seconded by John Stiles, voted upon. Rupprecht, Stiles, Prigge, voted yay. Jon Nienow abstained. A second motion to have Heartland Days to receive approval from the EDA for next years' advertisement was put forth by Larry Rupprecht, John Stiles seconded. It was motioned to be tabled unanimously; Brian will follow up with the Heartland Days Committee regarding the situation.

9. **EDA Organizational Structure:** Brian gave his opinion of needing a strong presence from city administration to be a partner in developing the city. Having somebody full time makes up for his only being in Lewiston eight hours a week. Between working with engineers, being included to meetings I would otherwise not know about, and planning with CIP projects, Brian believes he can only provide a great EDA service with a teammate in City Administrator that is full time and communicates well.
10. **Other Business: Conditions of Residential Properties:** We have noticed multiple residential buildings in town that are in dire condition. Per city ordinance, a citizen can bring up the issue to the City. The EDA does acknowledge that keeping properties up to date, whether residential, commercial, or industrial.

Motion to adjourn at 6:40 is accepted unanimously.