



Watertown Economic Development Authority

Ken Grotbo
Cory Mitteness
Roxanne Wilmes
Deborah Everson
Lindsay Guetzkow

11/10/2020 - Minutes

1. Roll Call

Chair Ken Grotbo called the Economic Development Authority meeting to order at 8:37 am in the council chambers of City Hall.

EDA members present: Grotbo, Roxanne Wilmes, and Lindsay Guetzkow.

Staff present: City Administrator Shane Fineran and Clerk/Treasurer Lynn Tschudi.

2. Adopt Agenda

GUETZKOW MOVED, WILMES SECONDED A MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

3. New Business

3.A. Approve Regular Meeting Minutes From October 29, 2020

WILMES MOVED, GUETZKOW SECONDED A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 29, 2020. ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

3.B. Pandemic Business Rebate Grant Program Disbursements

City Administrator Fineran said the Pandemic Business Rebate Program is the last of the EDA relief programs to be approved. The program is a pro-rated liquor license and utility rebate program that would reimburse up to three months of expenses for each. The applicants for the liquor license rebate are: Mario's Italian Kitchen, Southfork BBQ, and Luce Line Lodge. Applicants for the utility rebate are: Luce Line Lodge, Chiropractic Specialists, and R&B's Restaurant.

Guetzkow asked if there were other businesses who wanted to apply for the utility grant. Fineran said they were given the information but he did not receive additional applications.

WILMES MOVED, GUETZKOW SECONDED A MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2020-10EDA, APPROVING PANDEMIC BUSINESS REBATE PROGRAM DISBURSEMENT. ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.

GUETZKOW MOVED, WILMES SECONDED A MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 2020-11EDA,

AUTHORIZING UP TO \$169,946.57 IN UNSPENT CARES ACT FUNDS. ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.

4. Updates

Chair Grotbo asked Fineran for an update on the Dollar General item being discussed on the November 10 Council Meeting. Fineran said in July 2020, the Dollar General requested two variances at the site on Paul Avenue near the Forest Hills Development in which the Planning Commission denied. The Dollar General removed the variance requests and will bring in front of the council for approval.

5. Adjourn

GUETZKOW MOVED, WILMES SECONDED A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 8:52 AM. ALL PRESENT VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.

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