

**CITY OF LAKE ELMO
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES
April 20, 2021**

Call to Order/Roll Call

Mayor Cadenhead called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Jeff Holtz, Charles Cadenhead, Linda Larson, Mark Gaertner, and Paul Ryberg

ABSENT: None

Staff Present: City Administrator Handt

Election of Officers:

Paul Ryberg volunteered to serve as President, seconded by Larson. Motion passed.

Mark Gaertner volunteered to serve as Vice President, seconded by Cadenhead. Motion passed.

Motion by Larson, seconded by Gaertner that Handt serve as Secretary and Assistant Treasurer. Motion passed.

Larson volunteered to serve as Treasurer, seconded by Cadenhead. Motion passed.

It was also noted that there are still four openings on the EDA (two voting members and two alternates).

2021 Meeting Schedule/Future Agenda Items

Ryberg asked commissioners what their ideas were on economic development. Commissioners shared about their backgrounds and interest in seeing more economic development throughout the city (I94, Old Village, 77 acres). Ryberg wanted to know what properties in Lake Elmo are developable. Larson asked for a review of the comprehensive plan. Holtz asked for a check in with ULI. Larson also wanted more information on the labor profile and a list of tools available. Ryberg mentioned the group along I 35 working on economic development. Handt suggest having Chris Eng, Washington County Economic Development Director lead the group in a strategic plan development and provide the background data such as a labor profile for Washington County.

Motion by Cadenhead, seconded by Larson to have Eng come to the next meeting and talk to us about the county plans. Motion carried. The commissioners also agreed on June 15, 2021 at 6pm for the next meeting date. Next meeting may be in September or sooner if issues come up.

Motion by Holtz, seconded by Cadenhead to go into closed session pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.05, subdivision 3 (c)(3) – to consider offers for the sale of the former 3M property on Ideal Avenue, south of CSAH 14 (Tax Parcel ID 16.029.21.24.0002 (portion south of CSAH 14 only)). Motion passed.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:59 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kristina Handt