

ELYSIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MARCH 2, 2023
ELYSIAN CITY HALL
6:00 PM

The Elysian Economic Development Authority met in regular session on Thursday, March 2, 2023 at City Hall at 6:00 pm.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag.

Administrator Kopischke administered the oath of office with Commissioners Robert Houlihan and Steve Ritchison answering.

Present were: Commissioners Mack Evans, Robert Houlihan, and Steve Ritchison; Administrator Lorri Kopischke. Absent: Commissioners Jason Dillon and Derek Westby.

Kopischke then asked for nominations from the floor for the office of President. On motion by Houlihan, seconded by Ritchison, to nominate Mack Evans for President. All voting in favor, motion declared carried.

Kopischke then asked for nominations from the floor for Vice President. On motion by Ritchison, seconded by Evans, to nominate Robert Houlihan for Vice President. All voting in favor, motion declared carried.

On motion by Ritchison, seconded by Houlihan, all voting in favor, to appoint Lorri Kopischke as Treasurer.

Evans then took his place at the table as President and the meeting continued.

On motion by Ritchison, seconded by Evans, all voting in favor, to approve the minutes of the December 1, 2022 Regular Meeting as presented.

On motion by Houlihan, seconded by Ritchison, all voting in favor, to approve the agenda of the March 2, 2023 meeting with the following addition:

11a. Kwik Trip

Revolving Fund Loan financial information was discussed. No payment has been received for Loans #20 and #21 in 2023. All other loans are current.

Le Sueur County administered a Small Cities Grant Program from 2015 to 2020 to improve residential housing stock by incentivizing residential rehabilitative work. Individuals who received funds were required to occupy the home for a required period of time. If they failed to occupy the home for the required period, funds were returned to the County. Le Sueur County no longer has an active program and is returning the funds to the communities where the payments originated. The City of Elysian will receive \$21,000. The funds should be used for housing rehabilitation as that was the original purpose of the grant.

The Commissioners discussed utilizing these funds and possibly a portion of the revolving fund monies to implement a housing rehabilitation grant program. Staff will gather further information.

On motion by Ritchison, seconded by Houlihan, all voting in favor, to accept the financial report as presented.

Staff continues to work with Fischers Bar to complete the Business Spotlight.

Evans reported a letter had been sent to Kwik Trip Corporate Office on behalf of the EDA to introduce the City of Elysian and invite Kwik Trip to consider locating here. A response was received stating that Kwik Trip will only locate in a City with more than 2,500 residents.

There were no visitor comments.

On motion by Houlihan, seconded by Evans, all voting in favor, meeting adjourned at 6:36 pm.

Attest:

Mack Evans, President

Lorri Kopischke, Administrator