

ELYSIAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MAY 3, 2023
ELYSIAN CITY HALL
6:15 PM

The Elysian Economic Development Authority met in a Joint Meeting with the Elysian Area Chamber of Commerce at 6:15 pm.

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

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

Present from the Elysian Area Chamber of Commerce: Pat Nusbaum.

On motion by Houlihan, seconded by Westby, all voting in favor, to approve the agenda of the May 3, 2023 meeting as presented.

Tim Emmers, Multimedia Marketing Consultant, KEYC-TV, explained the audiences they reach and the products they offer. He noted the difference between broadcast and streaming and explained a Travel & Tourism CO-OP marketing provider for all travel and tourism businesses.

On motion by Houlihan, seconded by Dillon, all voting in favor, to close the Joint Meeting with the Elysian Area Chamber of Commerce and take a 5-minute recess at 6:55 pm.

On motion by Evans, seconded by Westby, all voting in favor, to open the Regular Meeting of the Elysian Economic Development Authority at 7:00 pm.

On motion by Westby, seconded by Houlihan, all voting in favor, to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2023 Regular Meeting as presented.

Revolving Fund Loan financial information was discussed. No April payment was received for Loans #2b and #20. All other loans are current.

The use of the Small Cities monies coming back to Elysian in the amount of \$21,000 was discussed. Judd Schultz, Minnesota Valley Action Council, has agreed to administer the program for a fee of \$1,000. He is recommending that the grant or loan be made in the full amount of \$20,000 to one household. The EDA or possibly Le Sueur County would identify a resident who might qualify, and Schultz would then contact the resident. If they are interested, Schultz would proceed with all the legal items that need to be accomplished which include contract, income eligibility, contractor eligibility, etc. The City Attorney agrees this is the best administration of the Small Cities Grant Monies.

The Commissioners would like to see the monies divided up into smaller projects. Staff was directed to continue to work with local agencies to determine the best way to administer the funds.

Per EDA direction, staff did approach West Central Sanitation as to the cost of a Curb Service Clean Up this Spring. The estimated cost was \$10,000 which was much higher than the Commissioners were expecting.

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

McBroom Lawn Care has accepted the May Spotlight. The plaque has been presented and the website will be updated shortly.

There were no visitor comments.

On motion by Evans, seconded by Houlihan, all voting in favor, meeting adjourned at 7:19 pm.

Attest:

Mack Evans, President

Lorri Kopischke, Administrator