Economic Development Authority Meeting Minutes March 4, 2020

- 1. Call to Order: EDA President Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:21pm.
  - a. Pledge of Allegiance
  - b. Roll Call: Swore in new EDA member Justin Neilson. Members present Johnson, Lundeen, Bergley, Gordon, Neilson. Absent: Collison. Staff present: Community Development Director Sheila Sellman, City Administrator Josi Wood, Police Chief Muyres.
  - c. Agenda Modifications: None
- **2. Approval of the Agenda:** Motion by Lundeen, second by Bergley to adopt the agenda, motion passed 5-0.
- **3. Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Lundeen, second by Bergley to approve the February 4, 2020 Regular Economic Development Authority Meeting minutes and the February 18, 2020 Special EDA Meeting minutes. Motion passed 5-0.

## 4. Business Items

- a. Adoption Marketing/Work Plan Update: Motion by Lundeen, Second by Bergley to adopt the 2020 Marketing/Work Plan. Motion passed 5-0.
- b. Consider Crop Lease Extension: Sellman explained that Wayne Calandar is behind on lease payments. He has not paid second half 2019 or first half 2020. Mt. Calandar has requested an extension as he needs to get the crop out in order to pay. The EDA agreed to an extension to April 15, 2020. If the lease is not paid at that time late fees will be instated and will not be prorated. A discussion of lease termination will need to come back to the EDA. Neilson stated he is in favor of supporting local farmers. Motion by Lundeen, second by Gordon to approve resolution 2020-3. Motion passed 5-0.
- 5. Other Business / Updates / Communications: Sellman gave an update on prospective businesses and site visits conducted. Bergley mentioned that he is attending the Chamber of Commerce meetings and that staff doesn't need to go, we don't need two reps there. Bergley will attend and the Community Development Director will be the backup. Sellman explained that the Humphry Institute has interns doing their Thesis with GPS:45:43 and are working on a housing study in this area and Isanti will be included.
- **6.** Adjournment: Motion by Lundeen, second by Bergley to adjourn. Motion passed 5-0, meeting adjourned 8:35pm

Respectfully submitted Sheila Sellman, Community Development Director/EDA Secretary