

**City of Isanti  
Economic Development Authority  
Regular Meeting Minutes of  
August 6, 2014  
Isanti City Hall**

**1. Call To Order**

The meeting was called to order by President Wimmer at 7:41 p.m.

**a. Pledge of Allegiance**

**b. Roll Call**

Commissioners Present: Dan Collison, Sue Larson, Adam Johnson, Steve Lundeen and George Wimmer

Commissioners Absent: Tara Hallberg (Excused), Keith Dragisich (Excused)

Staff Present: Economic Development Director Sean Sullivan

**c. Agenda Modifications**

No modifications to the agenda were presented. Motion by Larson, second by Lundeen to approve Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**2. Approve Minutes of July 1, 2014 Regular Economic Development Meeting**

Motion by Larson, second by Lundeen to approve the minutes for July 1, 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

**3. Presentation by Initiative Foundation**

Eric Stommes, Vice President for External Relations, gave a presentation highlighting the involvement of the Initiative Foundation in Isanti County. He thanked the EDA for its ongoing support and indicated the foundation was very happy to participate in the upcoming BMX Facility. The Initiative foundation has participated in the following projects in Isanti: Diamond Welding, Granger Machine, Evercat Fuels and the forthcoming Indoor BMX Facility.

President Wimmer asked Mr. Stommes to highlight how the City “seed money” helped bring in Initiative Foundation funding which brings in more outside funding.

Motion by Larson, second by Lundeen to recommend to City Council an investment of \$800 to the Initiative Foundation for 2015. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **4. Historical City Banners / City Banners Update**

Economic Development Director Sullivan stated that the City Council acted on this item earlier in the evening at the City Council meeting and that this item was informational for the non-City Council EDA members who were both absent. No additional discussion occurred and no formal action was requested or taken.

#### **5. Downtown Historical Plaques Update**

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#### **6. Other Business / Updates**

- a. Business Prospects
- b. GPS 45:93
- c. Isanti Street Dance – Boogie Wonderland, Rock-it Science and Rum River Car Show Finale
- d. Isanti Chamber of Commerce and City Events
- e. Makerspace Concept
- f. Marketing Brochure Update
- g. City Website Update
- h. Special Assessment Prepay Update
- i. 2014 New Housing Starts
- j. 2013-14 Business Arrivals and Departures in Isanti

Sullivan highlighted the fact that all hurdles are cleared for Family Dollar to purchase land and commence construction.

Sullivan communicated the official groundbreaking will occur at 101 Isanti Parkway NW on August 27, 2014 at 4 PM.

#### **7. Adjournment**

Commissioner Larson motioned, seconded by Commissioner Lundeen to adjourn at 7:48 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Dated at Isanti, Minnesota, this 6th day of August 2014.

Respectively Submitted,

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Sean M. Sullivan, Economic Development Director