



**Meeting Agenda**

**April 2, 2018 (7:00 P.M.)**

*Please call 507-479-3219 if you are unable to attend.*

- I. **Call meeting to order (7:00 P.M.)**
- II. **Agendas & Minutes:**
  1. Consider 4/2/2018 agenda
  2. Consider 3/5/2018 minutes
- III. **Bills and Communications:**
  - A. **EDA Fund Balances**
  - B. **Periodic Financial Reports**
- IV. **Monthly Reports/Updates:**
  1. Mayor's report
  2. Council liaison report
    - i. Mark Wentzlaff
    - ii. Diane Brown
- V. **Unfinished Business:**
  1. Update on USDA RLF grant
  2. Child Care
  3. Consider listing 34.0037.000 with Coldwell Banker Commercial Fisher Group (James Halbur)
  4. Sibley County Business Expo – April 19<sup>th</sup>
  5. New EDA member
- VI. **New Business:**
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- VII. **Adjournment**



March 12, 2018  
7:30 P.M.

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, Green Isle EDA President Randal Bruegger called the Green Isle Economic Development Authority meeting to order at Green Isle City Hall at 7:30 P.M.

**Members present:** Randal Bruegger (President), Mark Wentzlaff, Scott Vos, Jason Mackenthun, Diane Brown

**Members absent:** Mark Miller

**Staff present:** Amy Newsom (EDA Director)

**Staff absent:** None

**Guests present:** Brandy Barrett – Green Isle Community School, Holly Harjes – Green Isle Community School, James Halber – Coldwell Banker Commercial Fisher Group

**II. MINUTES & AGENDA –**

1. 2/5/2018 EDA minutes
2. 3/12/2018 EDA agenda – Request by Newsom to add Charter School Capital update and Solar Garden on Ron Dahlke property, request by Brown to add possible EDA member to agenda. Motion by Wentzlaff, second by Brown to approve minutes and agenda with additions. Motion carried.

**III. BILLS & COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. EDA Fund Balances:
- B. Periodic Financial Reports:

**IV. MONTHLY REPORTS/UPDATES**

1. Mayor's report – None.
2. Council liaison reports (Mark Wentzlaff and Diane Brown): None.

**V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Update on USDA RLF grant:

- a. Newsom reported that she is still working with Wade Scott to make corrections to the loan application to resubmit to USDA.
- 2. Child Care:**
- a. Brown reported that she spoke with members of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, but that the Church President and his daughter felt that the school may be a better place for child care. Brown then spoke with Brandy Barrett of the Green Isle Community School. Barrett reported that the school was interested, but they would have to do some remodeling; including: plumbing and creating a handwashing station. She felt that the licensing should not be too difficult and she had already spoken with the Sibley County Licensor. She stated they would need 2 staff, but they may have para's that could do the work. Barrett would like to survey parents and develop a waitlist before going ahead with anything. They would take children birth to 2 years, 8 to 10 kids depending on how much room. EDA President Randal Bruegger was concerned about the school running a daycare since they are a 501( c) 3. Barrett will speak with City Attorney Ross Arneson about this. Newsom will work with Barrett to survey the community and determine the interest in birth to 2 year-old child care in Green Isle.
- 3. Consider listing 34.0037.000 with Coldwell Banker Commercial Fisher Group:**
- a. James Halber spoke to the EDA about options for listing the lot. EDA Member Jason Mackenthun stated that he would like to see a commercial business located there.
  - b. EDA Member Scott Vos asked Halber what the thought of the lot. Halber stated it is a good location, but too small. He felt it might be good for a bank, but there is already one next door. He suggested sales, trailers, sheds, landscaping, but said it would be a hard sell. If the lot sold to a developer for \$1 the City would pay a \$7,000 fee. If the lot does not sell it would not cost the City anything. Motion by Bruegger, second by Wenzlaff to table the discussion. Motion carried.
- 4. Charter School Capital update:**
- a. Newsom reported that she received a response from Shannon Schrecengost of Charter School Capital stating that they are going to pass on further pursuit of the Green Isle facility citing small school enrollment and limited opportunity for growth.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**1. WAC and SAC fees:**

- a. Wenzlaff reported that he was contacted by Arlington resident Curt Reetz with concerns that Arlington would be waiving WAC and SAC fees. Reetz felt that Green Isle would have to vote on this due to the Arlington Green Isle Wastewater agreement, but Wenzlaff found out that is not the case. Newsom reported that City Attorney Ross Arlington would be able to answer any questions regarding the agreement.

**2. Opportunity Zones:**

- a. Newsom reported that Sibley County applied to be considered an Opportunity Zone allowing investors in the community to receive tax credits.

**3. Solar Garden:**

- a. Newsom reported that she had been contacted by Daniel Rogers who is proposing to create a community solar garden on 5 acres owned by Ron Dahlke. Discussion by the EDA. City Council will discuss the solar garden at the March 13 Council meeting.

**4. Potential EDA member:**

- a. Diane Brown said that Norm Lindberg may be a possible new EDA member. He is the upcoming Lions President and could not make the 7 pm meeting on the first

Monday of the month. Group discussed the possibility of moving the meetings to 6 pm or meeting on a Thursday night. Mayor Krueger will speak to Lindberg about being an EDA member.

**VII. ADJOURNMENT:** At 8:32 P.M.

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Amy Newsom, EDA Director

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Randal Bruegger, EDA President