

Sargent County Job Development Authority

Minutes

Meeting Thursday November 4, 2004

The SCJDA meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm at the Sargent County Courthouse conference Room by Ron Narum.

Present: Jerry Erickson, Bob Cookson, Sandy Hanson, Ron Narum, Jay Jacobson, Ray Brockman, Lu Dorr, Mike Walstead, Jerome Brekke

Not Present: Robert Lee, Rex Ferguson

Finance Report-Submitted by Bob Cookson. Balance in Budget \$3,488.10 2005 budget approved by commission was reviewed. Discussion by SCJDA Board that they would like to receive monies back into the JDA account so that they have a continued financial base to work with in the future. Ray and Mike will discuss this with the County commission.

Minutes- The minutes of the meeting dated 2-12-04 were reviewed. Ray/Jerry to accept the minutes as printed. Motion Carried.

Jerome Brekke arrived at meeting.

Committee Reports

“Images of Forman” has a loan with Lake Agassiz through our recommendation. That Loan is five months delinquent in loan payments. Lake Agassiz will begin legal action.

Waswick Chiropractic- monies continue to be paid to the county on time.

Cogswell Bar & grill-Loan to SCJDA was paid off by new ownership.

OLD BUSINESS

Oath of Office-Lu Dorr signed her Oath of Office for the SCJDA.

NEW BUSINESS

JDA Mill Levy-Ray will check with County to see legally how many mills JDA can collect with out a vote to the people.

Wind Energy-Ron Narum presented a letter from Oakes Enhancement asking for our financial support on a study that they would like to implement regarding our area’s probability of hosting site(s). The study is the first step in the continued solicitation of sites. Letter is enclosed. Mike provided maps that he was given showing information about wind speed in our area. Jay explained his knowledge regarding wind energy on location, transmission lines, and recruitment of a company to purchase energy.

JDA Key points regarding this project-

Develop a working relationship between the communities that will be involved in such a project.

The need for a person or persons to become a driving force of the group to pursue continued information Solicitation of the area.

what understandings of agreements are put together between communities.

Oakes Enhancement’s strategy for pursuing and competing.

So far power companies have been purchasers of the energy not investors. Sandy presented information for a conference coming up in Mandan December 6 & 7th for Renewable energy, which will have sessions on Wind energy. Ray/Jay to use JDA funds to send delegates from this group to the conference. The JDA can reimburse Motion Carried. Anyone interested in going should contact Sandy prior to November 16th for registration submission to the county. Anyone registering after that date will have to pay for the \$35.00 registration on their own and request reimbursement. Ron will contact Oakes Enhancement and arrange a meeting with Charles Kraemer and a tour of the turbine generators in the Kulm area. Ron will contact Sandy with Dates and Times.

Expiration of Terms: Sandra Hanson-Twp Officers, Robert Lee-member at large, Lu Dorr-City of Milnor, Jerome Brekke-member at large. Jay Jacobson was appointed to the Board representing school districts in the County. He is no longer on the Milnor School Board so his position was questioned. It will be brought to the attention of the Commission. His Term expires 12-31-05. Bill Smith was on the Board representing the

commission and upon non re-election was not removed from the SCJDA board. Commission moved him to a member at large status. Rex Ferguson voting status and place of residence was discussed. Jerome Brekke and Jay Jacobson asked to be considered for reappointment to the JDA Board. Sandy will send letters of Notice to the groups represented of the term expirations. Sherry will place the notice in the Teller.

Community Activities

Gwinner-1% sales tax passed. Gwinner will be home rule charter. Exemption qualifications have changed regarding sales tax. Gwinner is looking to build a building for the First Responders and City Office.

Forman- having Development annual meeting Thursday November 18th.

With no further business meeting was adjourned.

Sandra Hanson
Recording secretary
6:10 pm