



EDA Meeting Minutes

Monday, December 1, 2025, 7:00 PM

Green Isle City Hall

1. Call Meeting to Order and Pledge of Allegiance – Meeting was called to order at 7pm by Vice President Mark Wentzlaff.
Present: Mark Wentzlaff, Vic Schwartz, Denise Schuft, Shawn Harms, Sam LaRose
Absent: Hunter Pederson
Staff Present: EDA Director Amy Soeffker, City Clerk Diane Hatlestad
Guests Present: Sandra Foster, Kipp Trebesch, Chad Olness – Cornerstone State Bank
2. Approve/deny December 1, 2025, agenda- Motion by Schuft to approve the December 1 agenda, seconded by Harms. Motion carried.
3. Approve/deny:
 - November 3, 2025, minutes – Motion by Schuft to approve the minutes, seconded by Harms. Motion carried. – Later mentioned Diane Brown was missing from guest list.
4. Bills & Communication: RLF Balance \$19,512.19
5. Monthly Reports/Updates
 - A) Mayor's Report: None
 - B) Council Liaisons Report: None
 - C) 296 McGrann – Sheets reported that the City is working with the building inspector and the city attorney, hopefully will have a plan on paper for building soon.
 - D) Sharda Enclave - none
 - E) Wide Open Marine - none
6. Old Business
 - A)
7. New Business
 - A) Chad Olness, President at Cornerstone State Bank – Olness requested the EDA to allow the bank to hire a broker/realtor to list the bank. Consensus of the EDA Board to allow the bank to list the school building. Motion by Harms to move forward with deed in lieu of

- foreclosure pending city attorney approval, seconded by Schuft. Motion carried. Olness stated that the bank can only own the property for 10 years.
- B) Circle City Outdoor sign advertising \$400/month- Soeffker brought to the EDA Board's attention of the board the recurring costs for the billboard on Hwy 5 with a 2-month out clause. Consensus of the Board to keep the billboard, but work to change the photo to one of the industrial park sites with information on lot sizes. LaRose/Sheets to work with Circle City Outdoor on a redesign. EDA Board felt redesign costs were worth paying.
 - C) First meeting in January – needs to be after the first Council meeting. - Consensus to have the first EDA meeting of 2026 on **Wednesday, January 14th at 7pm.**
8. P&Z Update - Soeffker reported that the P&Z was updating the Zoning Code and created a Subdivision Ordinance. Attorney Janssen will need to review.
9. Board and Director Comments
- A) Cloverleaf Concert Series update – Will be reapplying for 2026.
 - B) Heritage Festival – need volunteers - Sam/Shane/Denise, first meeting will be in January.
 - C) Safe Streets and Roads for All Funding – The City has not heard anything on this grant yet.
 - D) MnDOT District 7 Local Partnership Funding- Submitted LOI.
 - E) Transportation Alternatives program -Submitted LOI.
 - F) Other comments – Schwartz asked if Xcel Energy was still in the industrial park. Mayor Sheets thought they may still have some things in the park, will need to contact them.
10. Adjournment – Motion by Harms to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 pm, seconded by Schwartz. Motion carried.

EDA Director Amy Soeffker

EDA Vice President Mark Wentzlaff