

EDA Meeting Minutes
Monday, March 2, 2026, 7:00 PM
Green Isle City Hall

1. Call Meeting to Order and Pledge of Allegiance- Meetings was called to order by Vice President LaRose at 7:03 pm.
Present: Sam LaRose, Shawn Harms, Vic Schwarz, Mark Wentzlaff, Densie Schuft, ex-officio- Shane Sheets – via Zoom
Absent: Hunter Pederson
Staff Present: EDA Director Amy Soeffker, City Clerk Diane Hatlestad
Guests Present: Ulhas Kilkarni via Zoom
2. Approve/deny March 2, 2026, agenda- Motion by Schuft to approve the agenda, seconded Schwartz. Motion carried.
3. Approve/deny February 2, 2026, minutes – Motion by LaRose to approve the minutes, seconded by Wentzlaff. Motion carried. Schuft abstained.
4. Bills & Communication: RLF Balance \$ 19,563.88
5. Monthly Reports/Updates:
 - a. Mayor's Report – Sheets reported that the apple tree obstructing the stop sign near the bank was taken down by the city.
 - b. Council Liaisons Report- none
 - c. School/Bond update – Sheets reported that the attorneys are asking for a letter from the Commissioner of Finance, which no longer exists.
 - d. 296 McGrann – Sheets reported that Haslip attended the last Council meeting. The property owners is to get engineering and architectural documents, plus intended use, to the city by the March 24th Council meeting.
 - e. Sharda Enclave- Kilkarni joined by Zoom to let the EDA know that he would like to build on lots #1 and #24. He believes that there are sewer and water hookups ready to go. Soeffker asked Hatlestad to have PeopleService check. If hookups are in, Kilkarni can proceed to build homes on those lots. Shareda Enclave plans to have John Behnke list the lots.
 - f. Wide Open Marine – Soeffker reported a tentative mid-April closing date.
6. Old Business
7. New Business
 - a. PROPOSAL TO PURCHASE INDUSTRIAL LOT(S)- Business did not show. Soeffker stated that they were interested in building smaller 1,400 sq ft. buildings to lease. Consensus of the EDA to stick to the commercial lots policy and require 5,000 sq. ft. buildings.
 - b. Approve/Deny 2025 Annual Report- Motion by Schuft to approve the annual report, seconded by Wentzlaff. Motion carried.

c. BRE Visits –

List of Businesses- Please pick who will visit each business.

<https://www.google.com/maps/d/u/0/edit?mid=1LTeLZmcsH5BHmG9dLOAZJKDNsaeUCqusp=sharing>

Questions to ask each business, do not deviate, ask every business the same questions.

Share RLF flyer

- **Schuft** will do the bank and the Grey Fox
- **LaRose** will do the Club New Yorker, Dahlheimer, and R&R Auto Salvage
- **Schwartz** will do OEM/JIT and Steve's
- **Harms** will do Mathews Sewer System
- **Wentzlaff** will do his own business and Vos Construction

8. P&Z Update

- a. City's Ordinances- City is considering adopting the LMC standard code or paying to have the current city ordinances codified by American Legal Publishing

9. Board and Director Comments

- a. Cloverleaf Concert Series update – Soeffker reported that the city received the Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council grant in the amount of \$5,000.
- b. Heritage Festival update- LaRose stated that they went over safety/security at the last meeting. Found out we should contract with SO and Ambulance.
- c. Newsletter updates- Any updates please provide them to LaRose.
- d. Other comments- Soeffker will be out of town the week of March 16th.

10. Adjournment- Motion by Schuft to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 pm, seconded by Wentzlaff. Motion carried.

EDA Director Amy Soeffker

EDA Vice President Sam LaRose

Upcoming Meetings:

Heritage Festival Planning, Thursday, March 26th at 7pm

EDA, Monday, April 6th at 7pm (This is the Monday after Easter)