

**ROSEMOUNT PORT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING PROCEEDINGS
JULY 19, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting of the Rosemount Port Authority was held on July 19, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 2875 145th Street West, Rosemount.

Chair Weisensel called the meeting to order with Commissioners Droste, Wolf, Smith, Abdulahi and DeBettignies attending. Staff present included City Administrator Johnson, Community Development Director Lindquist, and City Clerk Hadler. The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

City Administrator Johnson stated there were no changes to the agenda.

Motion by Weisensel. **Second** by Wolf.

Motion to Adopt the Agenda as corrected.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 0. Motion carried.

COMMUNITY/AUDIENCE RECOGNITION

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by DeBettignies. **Second** by Abdulahi.

Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda with revised Minutes.

a. Approval of June 21, 2016 Meeting Minutes

b. Bills and Invoices

Ayes: Droste, Wolf, Weisensel, Smith, Abdulahi, DeBettignies

Nays: None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

OLD BUSINESS

4.a. Hotel Update

Community Development Director Lindquist updated the Port Authority on discussions with individuals regarding the prospects of a hotel.

Commissioner Droste stated the one investor would be a good fit for the city, and discussed other hotels they have in the area.

Commissioners and staff discussed various other referrals and contacts.

NEW BUSINESS

5.a. Change Date of November Meeting to Monday November 14th

Community Development Director Lindquist explained the need to change the date of the November meeting, due to a number of City Council members being out of town at a national conference. Commissioner Wolf stated he would not be able to attend on the new date.

Motion by Weisensel. **Second** by DeBettignies.

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Motion to move meeting for November to Monday, November 14th.

Ayes: Droste, Wolf, Weisensel, Smith, Abdulahi, DeBettignies

Nays: None. Motion carried.

5.b. Draft Budget

Community Development Director Lindquist provided a brief summary of the Port Authority budget for 2017, which was decreased due to the removal of the Buxton contract. Ms. Lindquist also explained the TIF information provided, including approximately \$600,000 in TIF funds available. She invited questions from Port Authority commissioners.

Commissioners and staff discussed how the TIF funds could potentially be spent.

Chair Weisensel inquired if Commissioners would be interested in investing in any studies or efforts in place of Buxton. Commissioner Smith noted the strengths and weaknesses of the Buxton consulting effort. Commissioner Droste stated it would be good to get something going at Akron and County Road 42.

Commissioner Abdulahi suggested investing money in the business park sign. Chair Weisensel asked for a consensus to take back to Council as a recommendation. Commissioners were generally supportive.

City Administrator Johnson explained that additional funding would mean either raising the levy or spending from the Port Authority reserves. Chair Weisensel summarized that budget would be remain the same and if down the road additional funds are needed, they may need to come out of the reserves.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Chair Weisensel inquired about movement on the Dakota Fieldhouse. Mr. Johnson stated staff was invited to a meeting, but it has not yet been scheduled.

REPORTS FROM PORT AUTHORITY COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Droste discussed conversation he had with the owners of the new Culver's.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Port Authority and upon a motion by Weisensel, second by Smith, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Clarissa Hadler, City Clerk