

**ROSEMOUNT PORT AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING PROCEEDINGS  
SEPTEMBER 17, 2019**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting of the Rosemount Port Authority was held on September 17, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 2875 145<sup>th</sup> Street West, Rosemount.

Chair Weisensel called the meeting to order with Commissioners Droste, Block, Freske, Wolf and Ober in attendance. Commissioner Essler was absent. Staff present included Executive Director Martin, Deputy Director Lindquist, Economic Development Coordinator Van Oss and Recording Secretary Barikmo.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA**

Executive Director Martin stated there were no changes to the agenda.

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

**Motion** to Adopt the Agenda.

**Ayes: 6.**

**Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion** by Block **Second** by Freske

**Motion** to Approve the Consent Agenda.

- a. Approval of August 20, 2019, Meeting Minutes

**Ayes: Droste, Block, Ober, Weisensel, Freske, Wolf**

**Nays: 0. Motion carried.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**4.a. Vermillion Crossing Update**

Deputy Director Lindquist introduced David Newland from Newland Communities to provide an update on the UMore property.

David Newman explained that the purchase agreement with the University has been terminated for the UMore property. In June 2019, Newland Communities informed the U that they could not proceed with the development in Rosemount due to the loss of their financing. For the last several months Mr. Newman was reaching out to potential financial partners to complete the project but was unable to find a suitable group.

Commissioner Freske questioned what the University of Minnesota intends to do with the land. It is his understanding that the University will go out for an RFP in the near future.

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**4.b. Project Update**

Deputy Director Lindquist discussed the upcoming ribbon cutting, open house and ground-breaking events. Economic Development Coordinator, Eric Van Oss, has been working on various retail strategies and has been reaching out to convenience stores to look at potential sites.

Commissioner Freske asked when staff will see plans for the Warrens property. Staff expecting to see plans for a hotel and senior living facility this winter to obtain approvals.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**5.a. Brewery Update**

Economic Development Coordinator Van Oss updated the Commission that he had been contacting breweries within a 40 mile radius of Rosemount. Breweries/brew pubs are looking for spaces that have patio spaces, but Rosemount currently does not have any locations with the amenity available. Breweries are reporting that Rosemount's demographics align with what they are looking for.

Commissioner Block asked if breweries are looking to rent versus own a facility. Van Oss stated that some are seeking ownership but, there are not any properties in Rosemount that currently interest them. Since many of the breweries do not serve food, they partner with food trucks. Therefore, the patio space is vital for the food truck portion and additional sitting.

**5.b. Social Media Update**

Economic Development Coordinator Van Oss provided an overview of the new Instagram page, "Develop Rosemount".

**CHAIRSPERSON'S REPORT**

None

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Deputy Director Lindquist discussed reinvigorating business visit program. Staff has started reaching out to local businesses again.

**REPORTS FROM PORT AUTHORITY COMMISSIONERS**

None

**COMMUNITY/AUDIENCE RECOGNITION**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Port Authority and upon a motion by Weisensel meeting was unanimously adjourned at 6:49p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jessie Barikmo, Recording Secretary