

**CITY OF GREENFIELD
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES
June 21, 2016**

The Economic Development Authority of the City of Greenfield, Minnesota, met in regular session on Tuesday, June 21, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the council chambers at 6390 Town Hall Drive.

1. Call Meeting to order

President Brad Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Members present: President Brad Johnson, Tom Cook, Mike Erickson, Mike Hoekstra, and Mark Holten.

Others present: City Administrator Bonnie Ritter

3. Approve agenda

MOTION by Holten, seconded by Hoekstra to approve the agenda. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

4. Approval of minutes

MOTION by Hoekstra, seconded by Holten to approve the minutes of the May 3, 2016 meeting. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

5. Discussion/action on City signage

The desired size of the Hwy. 55 entrance signs was discussed and the Authority asked staff to get pricing on 5 x 10 with 2' pillars, and 6 x 12 with 2' pillars. Also pricing on seven 2 x 4 matching signs for the other entrances to the City. Maintenance standards on these quoted signs will also be researched.

6. Discussion on downtown development

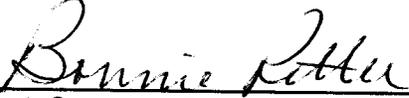
Ritter stated that the opinion of the Small Cities Division of the Department of Employment and Economic Development and the City Planner is that the Comprehensive Plan Update is a good starting point for the general discussion on downtown development. This would include a public engagement process that allows for the community to express opinions on a big pictures scale. There are many ways to do that and all of them take time and effort. Both online and face to face discussion platforms are used.

There will be a Council workshop on July 19th to discuss the upcoming Comprehensive Plan Update process and at that time Mr. Scheib can present a menu of options for the comp plan work that integrates the downtown idea as well as enable the City to express interest in any other planning related topics and incorporate a variety of public engagement activities. Mr. Scheib indicated that he will outline the general steps that need to be gone through to do a comp plan and downtown plan. The Authority asked that they, as either the Council or Authority, receive those steps from Mr. Scheib asap so that they have to time to review them.

The Authority discussed different amenities that they would like to see in Greenfield, as well as a one-day City celebration/event. They would like to see this start in 2017.

7. Adjourn

MOTION by Holten, seconded by Erickson to adjourn at 6:54 p.m. All voted in favor. Motion carried.



Attest: Secretary Bonnie Ritter



President Brad Johnson