

RUGBY JOB DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MINUTES REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY November 10, 2021 – 12:00PM

Members Present: Blair Brattvet, Gary Kraft, Sue Steinke, Director Karl Frigaad, Jodi Schaan

Members Absent: Rob St. Michel, Susan Stelensky

Call to Order/Roll Call: Brattvet called the meeting to order at 12:10pm

Consideration of Agenda - amendments, additions, deletions to the agenda: Motion by Kraft to approve the agenda as written. Seconded by Schaan, no further discussion was held, vote was unanimous to approve, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

- a. Consider Approval of JDA Bills/Financials – Bills and financial reports were reviewed by the board. Motion by Schaan to approve the bills and financials. Seconded by Kraft, vote was unanimous to approve, motion carried.

Chris Wahl from Reign Realty gave a presentation on how his Real Estate Office could promote and sell the Chalmers Addition lots. Using several digital tools to reach customers and develop a website for the property with pictures of the lots. Also set up a website inquiry page to get customer responses to website and to follow up with them.

President's Report: The board should consider setting up committees to work on projects so we don't need a whole quorum.

Directors Report: Frigaard discussed the below topics

- a. Main Street Summit Report
 1. Location strategies/good and bad
 2. Cash flow of new development and residential areas
 3. Mixed use buildings in West Fargo and Downtown Grand Forks
 4. AARP Scores on live-able Communities
 5. Commerce wants Rugby to develop a regional training center using talent from Devils Lake College and Minot State University

- b. EDND Conference Report

1. Workforce development using people with legal charges and jail time on their records. {28.5 % of North Dakota Residents have some type of record that prevents them from getting a job or advancing in a job. F5.org is a nonprofit set up to help place and retain inmates for jobs on the outside. They have group homes for these workers in Fargo, Grand

Forks, Bismarck and are looking at Minot.

2. Employee Housing Development

The department of Commerce and Governor's office are looking to get \$21 million dollars to help with workforce housing in North Dakota and Rugby is at the top of the list

Old Business:

- a. Marketing money through commerce to follow up with promotion from economic development plan – Marketing Grant should be available at the start of the new year.

New Business:

- a. Developer from Devils Lake to come look at the Chalmers Addition lots will be scheduled soon.
- b. Hospital planning meeting for public input on October 20th at the Cobblestone. The meeting will include the build plan for the new hospital and discussion on the old building as well.

Correspondence Received, Special Meetings and Reminders

- a. 2021 Regular Meeting -- November 10th, 2021, at 12:00PM

Adjournment: 1:40 pm Motion to adjourn Kraft and second by Schaan all in favor of motion,

