Special Meeting Minutes
Rugby Job Development Authority
October 1, 2026 at 12PM
JDA Office

Members Present: Neil Lotvedt, Duane O'Marro, Danielle Jacobson, Leah Harper, Rob St. Michel, Sara Radomski in person. Mathias Follman via Teams.

Others Present: Brian Hoffart

Meeting called to order by Harper at 12:04PM. Roll Call, O'Marro, Jacobson, Lotvedt, St.Michel, Radomski, Follman and Harper present.

Agenda;

Farmers Choice Flex Pace:

Discussion held on application from Steve Knorr of Farmers Choice. Business application indicates it will bring 5 full-time employees within 30 miles. Application is for a 5 year loan with a commitment of $26125.40.

Lotvedt expressed concerned of the business being outside city limits and the inability to enforce job creation requirements or paying city taxes.

Follman indicated his opinion was indifferent as he stated Rugby will not get a direct benefit from the sales tax of the business.

Radomski asked if the budget would allow. Hoffart provided information on all Flex Pace loans, with the budget being $65,000 and current commitment of $51360.43.

St.Michel moved to approve the Flex Pace application of the Farmers Choice Chattel with the total community share of $26125.40, prorated beginning 2026 and acknowledge that SBPC is responsible for the real estate flex pace buydown. O'Marro seconded.

Discussion held on considering reevaluation of the current Flex Pace process and application going forward.

Roll call vote – St.Michel, Radomski, Follman, O'Marro, Jacobson all voting yes. Lotvedt voting no.

Motion to adjourn by St.Michel at 12:25PM. Follman seconded.