

KENYON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, January 21, 2025

Commissioners present: John Mortensen, Chris Mallery, Stuart Campbell, and Don Kirchmann

Commissioners Absent: Mary Bailey

Others in Attendance: Todd Kieffer, City Administrator Scott Lehner, City Engineer Derek Olinger, and Kim Helgeson

The EDA meeting was held at Cahill Bistro Bar in Kenyon. The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Mallery seconded by Campbell to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0-0.

APPROVE MINUTES AND FINANCIALS

Motion by Bailey seconded by Mallery to approve the minutes from the December 17, 2024, meeting and the financials. Motion carried 4-0-0.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/COMMENTS

REPORTS

No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

Façade Improvement Update

Che Che's

Façade work at Che Che's is complete and check will be issued.

Nesseth Properties: Fresh Bites

Façade work at Fresh Bites is complete and a check for \$2,000 will be issued.

Kenyon Foundation Meeting

The January Foundation meeting was rescheduled for Thursday, January 30, 2025, at 6:30 pm at the All Seasons Community Center.

Active Transportation Update

Todd Kieffer submitted the Active Transportation grant to MnDOT. We should hear something back any day.

University of MN: Center for Transportation Studies

Todd Kieffer applied for this transportation studies grant through the U of M Extension Regional Sustainable Development. We should hear something back by mid to late January.

Industrial Park Update

Realty Growth of Rochester

Realty Growth continues to market the EDA property in the Industrial Park. Todd Kieffer shared some of their marketing videos.

NEW BUSINESS

Update EDA Members' Terms

Motion by Mallery second by Campbell to appoint 2025 EDA Officers:

-President John Mortensen

-Executive Director/Secretary Todd Kieffer
Motion carried 5-0-0.

ITEMS FOR NEXT EDA MEETING

- A. Overall review of EDA Breakfast
- B. Discuss comments from EDA Breakfast
 - 1. Increase foot traffic; local artists work, boutique style store, themes to fill store fronts.
- C. NAPA Building: will be empty January 26.
 - 1. Lehner and Bartel to Discuss Future Opportunities
- D. Rebound Update

COMMENTS

Next EDA Meeting: Tuesday, February 25, 2025, at 8:00 AM at City Hall

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Campbell second by Mallery to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 a.m. Motion Carried 4-0-0

Holli Gudknecht, Deputy City Clerk

John Mortensen, EDA President