

JDA Meeting Minutes
October 12, 2020
Via Teleconference

MEETING OPENING: President Whittney Lipp opened the meeting at 5:33 pm.

Board Members Present: Whittney Lipp, Marilyn Bettenhausen, Denise Morman, Nathan Wolf and Daryl Kaseman
Board Members Absent: Jocie Ruff, Adam Feist

Minutes:

September 14, 2020 regular meeting minutes were reviewed. Motion by Nathan Wolf to approve, second by Daryl Kasemen. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's report was reviewed and discussed. Motion to approve treasurer's report by Denise Morman. Second by Marilyn Bettenhausen. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Action Items:

1. Covid-19 Business Loans
Hagel review results of business survey that generally indicated most Wishek businesses have seen steady return of revenue with minimal staff reductions. Motion to notify JDA Covid-19 loan recipients of repayment to begin January 1, 2021 with \$250 loan forgiveness if all monthly payments received on time made by Denise Morman and second by Daryl Kaseman. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
2. Delinquent Loan
Motion by Nathan Wolf, second by Daryl Kaseman to notify delinquent loan recipient to immediately submit past due amount and maintain current payment history to avoid JDA proceeding with judgement filing. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

Other Discussion

1. Board Terms
Hagel informed Daryl Kaseman and Nathan Wolf that their terms were complete at the end of calendar year 2020 and requested them to indicate their desire to renew on or before the November meeting of the board.
2. Hagel presented a potential traineeship funding program to assist local businesses with attracting potential applicants for open positions that would assist with business viability and potential growth. The board felt the program offered substantial opportunity and instructed Hagel to obtain additional input from local businesses on how the program could be most helpful and adapted to their needs.
3. The board discussed possible options to financially support residential and commercial property in the Renaissance Zone as a mechanism to develop more suitable and affordable housing in addition to improving city aesthetics. No action taken at present time. Hagel will continue to develop potential criteria/methods.
4. Hagel reported on feedback from ND Dental Association on identify a potential consultant to conduct a dental practice feasibility study. No consultant identified but some positive comments on a visiting dentist model was received. Board asked Hagel to pursue possible funding sources and interest from regional dental practices.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:00 pm by Denise Morman, second by Daryl Kasemen. Motion carried by unanimous declaration.

Respectfully Submitted by: H. Hagel