

Minutes
FPDC Board of Directors
Thursday, March 28, 2019
Municipal League Building
11:30 a.m.

Call to Order at 11:30 – President, Shad Ludemann

Board Members Present:

- Becci Scott
- Shad Ludemann
- Larry Cronin
- Dana Iversen
- Dr. Michelle Hofer
- Dr. Joel Price

Board Members Absent:

- Gerad Johnson (excused)
- Chris Maxwell (excused)
- Lyle Magorien (excused)

Others Present:

- Rosanne Heezen
- Kylie Heezen
- Rick Hahn
- Kyle Peters
- Sunny Hannum
- Dave Bonde

Dave introduced Kyle Peters from GOED. Peters is a new employee with GOED and has an agriculture business and business and finance degrees. He is involved in a family cow/calf operation at White Lake, SD. He will be working with businesses in the North Central region which includes Stanley and Hughes County.

Review of February 28, 2019 Financials:

Dave said that the financials are only the second set for the year. He said that no payments had been made by Joni Boub to date and she is currently unemployed. As soon as she is employed, she is required to begin paying back her debt. He also noted that on page 3 of the Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual” he had the accountant move the amount of \$310.50 from 615. Misc. Expense to 614. Advertising & Marketing. This amount was for the half page Capital Journal ad that ran in January.

A motion was made by Becci and seconded by Michelle to accept the review of the February 28, 2019 Financials. Motion carried by voice vote.

Review & Approval of February 28, 2019 Board Minutes

A motion was made by Dana and seconded by Larry to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2019 Board Minutes. Motion carried by voice vote.

Dave asked to have a “Special Motion” added to New Business and the agenda as Item #2 regarding “pursuing additional funds for the Revolving Loan Fund.”

Reports:

– City of Fort Pierre:

Roxanne reported that financial reports had been received for January and things were looking good to date with sales tax up 8.5% for January, BBB up 7.7%, and Occupancy Tax up 9.7%.

Rick reported that 5 houses had been earmarked “vacant and dangerous” and legal action had begun on four of the houses. The fifth is being torn down by the owner. He said road work would begin soon as weather permitted as well as the Yellowstone Road project and chip seal on other streets. The new hotel has moved their start for building to fall.

There will be a Bridge Plaza public meeting April 1 during the City Council meeting which begins at 6:30 p.m. Bad River has peaked and gone back down and is not expected to cause any more problems. The Corps is planning to let the Oahe raise before they release water due to downstream flooding. The new FEMA flood plain report will have no significant impact on the Teton Island and Marion Gardens areas.

Midwest Construction is planning to put in metal sheet pilings on the river side and inside the marina according to the last report Rick had. They are also working on providing the Riverboat with a location to tie up at the end of the marina.

– Stanley County Fairgrounds:

The horse races have been cancelled for 2019. Dana said that they will make a decision next Tuesday at their meeting regarding bid letting for the concrete work on the Fairgrounds parking lot.

– Fort Pierre Tourism:

Sunny and Michelle reported on Chris Maxwell’s status and that he had been moved to the Madonna Center in Lincoln for rehab. Molly and the kids are home.

Sunny said that the Tourism Council is carrying out Chris’ 2019 plans which include Bridge Plaza support. They have elected new officers: Casey Cowan as President, Emily Steber as Vice President, and Mike Weisgram is still Treasurer. Callie Iversen was appointed to the Council to fill the vacancy left when Butch Johnston moved out of state.

A new logo will be available to other entities in town as soon as standards are set for logo usage. An events calendar is being prepared in May with a full slate of summer events. The group is still working on obtaining a 501c (3) for Future Fort Pierre. Five themed farmers markets are planned for mid-July through August. These farmers markets will have additional activities and events. Trader Days plans are also under way.

– Fort Pierre Recreation Association:

No Report

– Board Committee Reports:

– Housing – Larry Cronin

Larry would like the committee to meet with Rick before the April Retreat

– Business & Retention – Shad Ludemann

No new loans have been requested

– Education & Community Partnership – Dr. Joel Price

Dr. Price’s last day at as Stanley County School Superintendent is June 30. Daniel Hoey has already been hired and will start as Superintendent July 1st.

Dr. Price talked about how good the job shadowing program was for students like Chelsea Heezen who was attending today's meeting. He also mentioned the arrival in Pierre on April 17th of the last B-25 bomber in celebration of the Doolittle Raid of WWII. Two South Dakota men were involved in that event and one of them, Henry Potter, lived in Pierre. John Mollison is in charge of the event in Pierre.

New Business:

1. Grow-SD March 18 Quarterly Meeting Approval of Mileage Reimbursement:

Dave asked the Board if they would approve his mileage to Aberdeen and back which he was unable to get approval for in advance.

A motion was made by Dr. Price and seconded by Becci approving the mileage. Motion carried by voice vote.

2. Special Motion to Approve Executive Director to Pursue Application to USDA for Federal funds:

Dave said that the FPDC staff had been involved in registering for a DUNs number and SAM account and registration. The application requires that the Board motion be made.

Motion by Dr. Joel Price seconded by Becci Scott to approve the Executive Director to pursue an application to United States Department of Agriculture for Federal assistance (SF-424) to regenerate resources in the Development Corporation Revolving Loan Fund. Motion carried by voice vote.

Old Business:

1. Housing Study:

Executive Committee had discussed doing another housing study and neither they nor Dave or PEDCO director Jim Protexter think it is necessary. Also it would cost \$6,000 to \$8,000 which has not been budgeted.

2. Verendrye Museum Grant Request for 2019 Funds:

The Verendrye Museum is requesting \$4,000 for an exterior sign to be put up this year. Stanley County Fairgrounds 2018 grant of \$4,000 was carried over to this year. If both entities receive a grant this year, it will take \$8,000 out of the Revolving Loan Fund.

The Board recommended Dave ask the Museum to reapply in 2020 when they will be open again for business.

Other Business:

– **\$50 Donation to After Prom Party for SCHS:**

Dave said he had made an executive decision to have a check cut for the SCHS After Prom Party.

– **Board Retreat, April 25, 2019:**

Dave asked the board members if they wanted a bus tour this year and the consensus was that there be no bus tour. He said that meant the Retreat could start at 1 p.m. and be finished by 4 p.m. His idea is to have each committee meet and discuss ideas at the Municipal League. Scott Amundson, GOED Community Representative may attend.

– **Business Recruitment Update:**

- **Casey's** are ready to start ground breaking as soon as conditions permit. They expect to be ready for business by July 1.
- **The New Hotel** has asked a stay of action on their ground breaking until fall. They are willing to pay an additional \$25,000 non-refundable down payment.
- **A Hunting & Fishing Supply Co.** from Winner is wanting to relocate to Fort Pierre.

- **Bad River Pack** is being considered for a bison processing plant. Both GOED and the Ag Department are involved. It would be a kill operation but all animals would have to be held inside according to City ordinance.
- **Riverwalk Marina** is preparing to do sheet piling to protect their interior and river walls. No date yet on when they will breach.

Next Meetings:

Executive Committee: April 18 @ 11 a.m. at the Log Cabin

Board Retreat: April 25, 2019 - 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Municipal League

Downtown Business Meeting: Thursday, April 4 @ 8 a.m. at Sutley Senior Center

Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made by Larry and seconded by Becci. Motion carried by voice vote.