

MINUTES OF KASSON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

MEETING December 6, 2011

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Kasson EDA was held at City Hall this 6th day of December, 2011 at 12:15 p.m.

The following members were present: Langan, Torkelson, Nelson, Kuball, Sturgis, and Wegner, and Ehmke

Absent: None

The following staff members were present: Mike Martin, EDA Coordinator, Mayor Tim Tjosaas

Call to Order: Chairman Ehmke called the meeting to order at 12:15 PM

Mayor Tjosaas presented a certificate to Milt Kuball honoring and thanking him for his twenty years of service to the EDA.

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting made by Sturgis, second by Wegner. All Ayes.

Financial Reports: There were no questions on the October Financial reports.

Omar's Kitchen Repayment Request Martin reported that a request has been received from Omar's Kitchen regarding the repayment of the EDA loan. Omar's requests a schedule similar to what evolved in 2011 whereby the EDA collected no payments during the winter months and received larger payments during the summer so that the loan was made current in October. Staff was directed to seek "token" payments during the winter months and to determine what arrangements Omar's has with West Concord. Motion to approve the modified payment schedule as requested made by Sturgis, second by Nelson. All Ayes.

Potential Retail Development Martin reported that a "discount big box retailer" is touring Kasson searching for "cheap" land on which to build a 33,000 sq. ft. store. This activity occurs three to four times a year due to Kasson's demographics. Consensus was to remain helpful, but to avoid spending existing taxpayers' dollars to entice this development.

Project Updates: Martin reported on activity concerning the Greenway project, the Old Elementary School and a potential laundromat in the downtown area.

Other Business: Mayor Tjosaas briefed the members on plans for a new pool in Kasson.

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 12:45PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Rappe, Deputy Clerk