

Wabasso EDA
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, December 4, 2019
6:00 pm

The meeting was called to order by President Pat Eichten with Board Members Chuck Robasse, Rachel Ingebretson and Carole Remiger present. Karl Guetter was unable to attend.

Also present were Pat Dingels and Mary Smith.

Minutes of the November 6 meeting were approved on a motion by Ingebretson, seconded by Remiger.

Eichten-yes, Robasse-yes, Ingebretson-yes, Remiger-yes.

The budgets for 2020 were looked over. One change was made to the general budget by adding funds for advertising and signage. The general budget was set at \$21,600 for 2020 and the Dewey Street budget was set at \$38,700 for 2020. Both were approved on a motion by Robasse, seconded by Remiger.

Eichten-yes, Robasse-yes, Ingebretson-yes, Remiger-yes.

Pat Dingels filled the board in on answers she received to some of the questions raised last month for Southwest MN Housing Partnership CEO Chad Adams. The question of how close a community needs to be to be considered for a partnership in building housing is thirty miles. He also said the SWMHP could either own/manage or the city could own the properties. There is a variety of funding agreement possibilities and would not necessarily be the same as a partner might agree to. The information was discussed and the end result was Pat Dingels will try to arrange for Chad Adams to attend the January meeting.

Pat Eichten spoke with Curt Trost from the Serenity Suites board about an option to purchase the lot next to the current facility. He does not see any reason they would not take an option on the property. Pat will try to attend the next board meeting and get the details of the option settled on and proceed with a signed agreement.

Chuck Robasse worked on putting together figures for possible purchase prices for the planned lots on North Street. Pat Eichten thanked him for his work on this. The board agreed this is these are good numbers to work with.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted on a motion by Robasse, seconded by Ingebretson.

Eichten-yes, Robasse-yes, Ingebretson-yes, Remiger-yes.

Bills in the amount of \$5,124.00 were approved for payment with a motion by Ingebretson, seconded by Robasse.

Eichten-yes, Robasse-yes, Ingebretson-yes, Remiger-yes.

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 pm.

