

Minutes
FPDC Board of Directors
Tuesday, June 27, 2023
SD Municipal League Conference Room
11:30 a.m.

Call to Order at 11:30 a.m.: Vice President Dan Baldwin

Board Members Present:

- Dan Baldwin
- Kale Urban
- Shad Ludemann
- Gary Grittner
- Michel Williams

Board Members Absent:

- Jody Carter Clarambeau (excused)
- Lyle Magorien (excused)
- Greg Kenzy (excused)
- Kris Edwards (excused)

Others Present:

- Dave Bonde
- Mayor Gloria Hanson

Review & Approve for Filing of May 31, 2023 Financials:

Following limited discussion, Ludemann moved, seconded by Urban to approve the May 31, 2023 financials for filing. Motion carried by voice vote.

Review & Approval of May 30, 2023 Board Minutes:

Motion by Urban second by Williams to approve the May 30, 2023 Board minutes as distributed.

Reports:

- **City of Fort Pierre** - Mayor Hanson
 - Sales tax up 10.2% for May and 16.66% for year-to-date
 - Triple B down 7.23% for May and up +2.75% year-to-date.
 - Occupancy (BID) tax down 6.99 % for May and down 4.77% year-to-date.

The Mayor announced the Community Appreciation Dinner at the Expo Center sponsored by the Fort Pierre Chamber and Fort Pierre Tourism will be held July 12. The bike trail to the dam is currently under reconstruction.

The Budget meeting of the City Council will be July 17 at Municipal League conference Room. All the activities scheduled for July 4th have been promoted to keep the parade crowd in Fort Pierre following the parade. A flyover by a B-1 bomber from Ellsworth is scheduled for 12:15 p.m.

- **Tourism & Promotion Council:**

Tourism grants have been given for special projects and the Tourism and Chamber have assisted with "Triangle Park" decorations. (Also, Wyatt Johnson & Sunny Hannum)

- **FPDC Committees:** No Reports

New Business:

1. Updating Revolving Loan Fund Authorization Committee:

Motion by Urban, second by Williams to remove Larry Cronin and add Shad Ludemann to the Fort Pierre Development Corporation Revolving Loan Fund savings account authorization committee for funds retained at First National Bank Fort Pierre, SD. Motion carried by voice vote.

2. Review, Discuss and Approve the Budget Request to the City of Fort Pierre for 2024:

Bonde explained the additions and decreases in the proposed budget. He also clarified the procedure followed to develop the budget:

- Staff creates initial budget
- Review with accountant
- Discuss with Executive Committee
- Adoption by the Board of Directors
- Present to the City Council

Grittner questioned whether or not to go out for bids in the selection of the accounting firm we work with. Bonde commented that we have not but it may be a good suggestion to consider. Motion by Ludemann second by Grittner to approve the proposed 2024 budget request to be presented to the City council on July 17, 2023. Motion carried by voice vote.

- #### **3. Bonde explained a request from the Downtown Development Committee for \$1,500** to be utilized for downtown improvement projects. Bonde explained some of the projects funded over the past two years. Motion by Urban, second by Ludemann to approve the \$1,500 request. Motion carried by voice vote.

Old Business:

- **The Submission of "Application to Enforce Restitution Order" for Hughes County** was explained by Bonde in his efforts to recoup the embezzled funds. This form has been delivered to Hughes County

Other Business:

- Fun Time Rentals has purchased the go cart/mini golf complex on Hwy 1806
- HME will conduct an informational public meeting on Peaceful Pines Senior Housing project at Drifter on July 11 from 3 to 6 p.m.
- Mayor Hanson & Bonde summarized their experiences at the Energize Conference held in Wessington Springs.

Around the Table:

- Williams, Total Beauty – Business is good! Thankful for rodeos; customers appreciate her being open late
- Urban, WW Tire – Business is good! Staffing issues, tire prices coming down a little.
- Grittner, Stanley County – County attempting to hire an Assessor – not easy to find a qualified applicant.
- Baldwin, Stanley County Schools – Staffing!!! Interviewing every chance he gets! The buffalo tree stump is being upgraded and will be back!

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.