

WAEDA Board Meeting Minutes

September 22, 2014

Washburn City Hall

Directors in Attendance: Derek Laning, Mike Nelson, Rachel Retterath, Donna Sommer, Newly Voigt

Others in Attendance: John Renner, Mike Nelson (realtor), Joan Zimmerman, Nicki Jorstad, Trevor Leidy

1. The meeting was called to order by Mike Nelson.
2. The minutes from the July meeting were approved. MSC Donna / Rachel
3. **Financial Statement-** The financials were reviewed and accepted. MSC Derek / Newly
4. **Sakakawea Country Ad** - WAEDA's portion of the bill will be \$325, it is split with the city. Rachel will work with the city on updating the ad. MSC Newly / Derek
5. **Housing Incentive Application** - Approved. MSC Donna / Rachel
6. **Cobblestone / Renner Agreement** - Construction earliest start would be in the spring. A restaurant follow on to the hotel was discussed. There is a question on what to do with the sign promoting Washburn businesses. Newly will look at the sign and determine the condition.
7. **Feasibility Study** – There is a meeting on Wednesday and a community roundtable to begin the process. It will take approximately three weeks to get the study done.
8. **Lodging Tax** – Derek presented the suggested ordinance to the city and Joan wanted WAEDA to contact the hotel about it.
9. **Golf Tournament** – Completed the tournament Friday 9/19.
10. **Misc Items** - Golf Course PACE application to the Bank of North Dakota. The program requires community support to get the interest rate buy down. There was some concern since Painted Woods does not pay into the one cent sales tax fund. Two options were discussed on how to change that; the city could annex the golf course or Painted Woods could implement their own "use" tax and designate it to the city. A motion was made to approve the PACE buy down with the golf course looking into adding a "use" tax that goes

into the Washburn One Cent Sales Tax Fund. MSC Mike / Derek (Newly and Rachel abstained)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. MSC Newly/Derek

Next meeting will be October 20th, 2014 at 3:00 pm at the city hall.