Forward Devils Lake Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 04/21/2021 **Time:** 10:00am **Location:** City Hall

Exec Present: Bob Hatten, Christy Remmick, Adam Leiphon-(phone), Dick Johnson, Brett Johnston, Doug Darling,

Bobby Foster Exec Absent: None

Advisory Present: None Ex Officio: Brad Barth, Terry Johnston(absent)

Call to Order: President Hatton

Consideration of the agenda: Revised Agenda submitted **Visitors & Delegations**: None

Minutes approved: 3/3/21 Motion: Johnson 2nd: Johnston Motion Carried

Check Detail Approved: 3/17 & 4/21 Motion: Remmick 2nd: Johnston Motion Carried

OLD Business:

Brad shared information on the following:

- Investor Campaign to date doing fine, asked for board members to help remind a few late businesses and to think /source new members.
- Annual Meeting replacement of CoJACK tour 60+ people went through the building -good success.
- K-Mart building Brad has referred 3 potential tenants to Russel Crary of Crary Real Estate.

NEW BUSINESS

Directors Update:

New Childcare Center project – Brad gave an update on the status of the project and that NCPC had completed the business plan and multiple funding sources are available, including the SBRLF – but more than likely they will use the NCPC Covid Resiliency Loan dollars to fund the project request. Potential of 40-50 Child-care slots

Black Paws Brewery project – Brad gave an update on the status and the possibility of a Façade and SBRLF loan for them, Brad will be getting the SBRLF committee together and will handle the Façade request as it is now back in the FDL hands for those requests.

ND Flax Mill Project – Brad explained his role of facilitator with owner and potential buyer of the business.

Nelson Electric – is interested in the industrial park – more to come as Brad works with the owner Josh Nelson, currently one lot is being held for Josh.

Al Friedig has an Advisory customer that is interested in the industrial park – Brad will work with the potential client ND Petroleum Equipment Growth Plan – Brad will work with Joe Gleason on a potential FlexPACE loan several higher paying, skilled and benefitted jobs would be the result.

Brad brought up the idea of SBRLF being able to make small grants – example Senior Foot Care grant – after discussion with the board it was decided that FDL is not in the small grant business for non-profits.

Golden Path Solutions "Compass" Career Planning system and Be More Colorful – Career Awareness Virtual Reality videos pilot projects – Brad discussed the progress and hope for good results.

Meeting Adjourned:

Motion: Leiphon 2nd: Hatten Motion Carried