

— PINE ISLAND —

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY FEBRUARY 2ND 2025

TIME 5:30PM

ANNUAL BOARD MEETING AGENDA

- CALL TO ORDER
- APPROVAL OF 2025 ANNUAL MINUTES
- ELECTION OF OFFICERS
- ANNUAL REPORT
- ADJOURN MEETING

2025 Annual Meeting Minutes February 3rd 2025

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:30pm by Ann Fahy-Gust.

APPROVAL OF 2024 ANNUAL MINUTES

David Friese motion to approve 2024 annual meeting minutes, Second by Ryan Olson. Vote 5-0

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

David Friese motioned to appoint officers: Ann Fahy-Gust as President, Brandon Bertsinger as Vice President, Ryan Olson as Treasurer, and Brandon Miller as Secretary.

Brandon Miller seconded the motion. Vote 5-0

President – **Ann Fahy-Gust (term ends 2030)**
Vice President – **Brandon Bertsinger (term ends 2028)**
Treasurer – **Ryan Olson (term ends 2026)**
Secretary – **Brandon Miller (term ends 2027)**
Mayor – **David Friese**
City Council Liaison – **Delana Weis (term ends 2027)**
At Large – **Open (term ends 2030)**

David Friese Motioned to appoint committees: Brandon Miller to budget committee, Ryan Olson and Delana Weis to loan committee, and Ann Fahy-Gust to personnel committee.

Brandon Miller seconded the motion. Vote 5-0

Budget Committee – Brandon Miller in cooperation with Elizabeth Howard and Mitch Massman
Loan Committee – Delana Weis, Ryan Olson
Personnel Committee – Mike Hildenbrand and Ann Fahy-Gust

ANNUAL Report

Mitch Massman gave a report of the EDA's accomplishments in 2024.

ADJOURN MEETING

Motion Made David Friese to adjourn meeting, second by Ryan Olson. Vote 5-0 (5:51pm)

Members Present:
Ann Fahy-Gust, Ryan Olson,
David Friese, Delana Weis,
Brandon Miller
Guest: Steven Scheevel, Mitch
Massman


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ANNUAL REPORT

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2025 Annual Report

2025 was an exceptional year for the EDA. The EDA Board has been working for several years to create a business environment that focuses on commercial, industrial, and residential growth. Additionally, the EDA focused on beautification and revitalization projects as well.

The EDA Board agreed to several goals in 2025, including:

- Walter Property Development
- Revitalization/Vibrancy of Downtown
- Childcare Initiative
- Quality of Life Initiatives
- Marketing Tourism Activities

The EDA's role in identifying potential future land development dates back to 2021. In recent years, we have seen the City purchase land from Jim and Pat Walter for development. While the city continues to work on the plat for the Walter development, other developments continue, such as Pine Bend, and two other small businesses expanding in Pine Island continue to move forward. The EDA also approved a loan for Nora Kramer to purchase On Trend, which helped to keep a business open in our downtown area.

Lastly, the EDA has received more inquiries about potential housing developments and hotels, due to the continued growth of the community. We will continue working with developers as they approach the EDA and the City, and continue to reach out to developers to meet the housing needs of the community.

Other beautification and revitalization came from the EDA authoring and being awarded a DNR Outdoor Recreation Grant for an inclusive playground, a SMIF grant for a community mural, and a facade loan application.

Department Staff

Mitch Massman, Executive Director

Board Members

Ann Fahy-Gust, President

Brandon Bertsinger, Vice President

Ryan Olson, Treasurer

Brandon Miller, Member

Vacant, Member

Delana Weis, City Council Liason

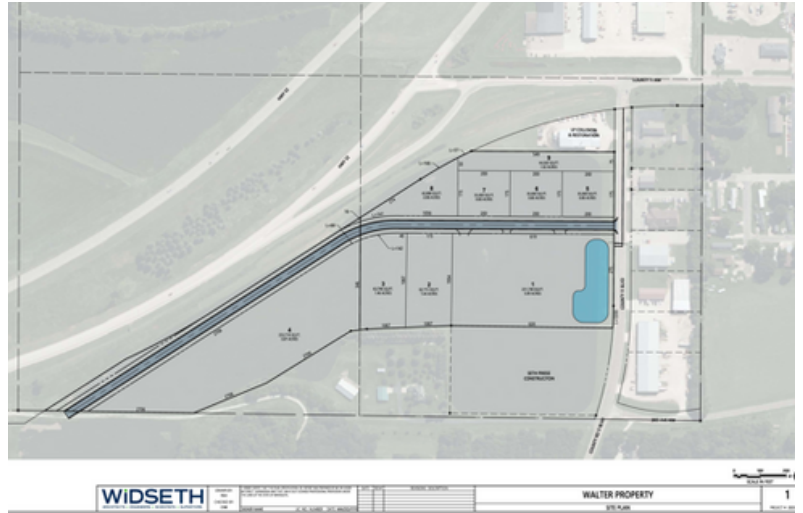
David Friese, Mayor

2025 Annual Report

Project Highlights

Development Plan

- Childcare Initiative group has met on several occasions.
 - The primary assistance from the city will be to help organize group training activities and a provider appreciation event
- City staff has worked with the city engineer to create a preliminary plat for the Walter Property
- Project Skyway continues to move forward



Business Attraction, Retention, and Expansion

- Approved a \$29,500 for Nora Kramer to purchase On Trend, now NJK Customs
- Provided IOOF with a \$2,500 facade loan
- Working with two businesses to expand or relocate their operations to Pine Island
- Continuing to work with developers to gain interest in hotel and residential developments



2025 Annual Report

Project Highlights



Residential Housing

- Pine Prairie Subdivision Phase 3 has been submitted to the city
- Pine Bend has a few homes completed with more under construction
- Multi-family housing remains a priority for the city, as we have limited rental units available.
 - Staff has been in contact with three developers who have expressed serious interest in bringing more housing developments to the community.

Special Projects

- Authored and awarded a \$238,900 grant from the MN DNR Outdoor Recreation Grant Program
- Authored and awarded a \$10,000 grant from SMIF's Small Town Grant for the community mural.
 - Secured an additional \$5,750 from the Image Committee, Cheese Fest Board, and the Community Foundation.