**ANAMOOSE JDA MEETING MINUTES**

**9-4-2024**

President Ewert called the Anamoose JDA Board meeting to order this 4th day of September 2024, at 7:07 pm at City Hall. Rudnick, Goodwin, Martin, Ammon, and Dusek were present. Stafford was absent. Also present Jesse Turner, Heidi Christianson, and Aleshia Hase, and Laurel Schnase, City Auditor.

Minutes of the 7-31-2024 regular meeting were read and approved. Goodwin/Dusek. AIF

Treasurer’s Report was submitted and accepted with a balance of $10,351.72. Ammon/Dusek. AIF

**New Business:**

An ad for the sale of the Food Hub building has run three times in the Mouse River Journal, and the Harvey Buyer’s Guide. Also, the ad on Bisman was updated to front page listing. No calls or closed bids have been received as of this date.

Turner, Christianson, and Hase were present to discuss the possibility of leasing the 1909 Steakhouse. Turner stated that the proposed business hours would be 4:00 to 9:00 p.m. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Eventually, he stated that he would like to also be open on Sunday mornings. Hase informed the Board that she will try to help at the Steakhouse when she can. Christianson stated that she is not currently working, so she will be available to help during regular business hours. Turner asked the Board if he would be able to borrow $10,000.00 to $15,000.00 from the JDA to get the business started. The Board informed Turner that the JDA does not have funds available for him to do that. Turner stated that he does not have money available to invest in his business plan, but if he were to get a loan he would repay it with interest. The Board suggested that he attend an Anamoose Civic Club meeting and ask for a loan through that organization. If the Club decides to give Turner a loan, the Board stated that the JDA will take care of the utilities for the first month in business. Motion to offer Turner the first two months rent free. Following that, the Board will meet with Turner to discuss the rent amount. Goodwin/Ammon. AIF

The Board reviewed what needs to be done before the 1909 Steakhouse can open. The fire suppression system, the kitchen hood, and the building will need to be inspected. Carla Helm has been hired to clean the building. Motion to pay Helm for cleaning products she purchased, and for the hours on her timesheet as of this date. Martin/Ammons. AIF

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:58 pm. Martin/Rudnick. AIF

Frank Ewert, President

Laurel Schnase, City Auditor