

**MINUTES  
CITY OF LONSDALE  
SPECIAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING  
JANUARY 10, 2013**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Lieske called the meeting to order at 7:01 am in the City Council Chambers at 415 Central St. W.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Zellner, Furrer, Duban, Lieske, Kuchinka, Pierskalla and Daleiden

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

None

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Joel Erickson, City Administrator

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

None

**2. AGENDA**

Lieske asked if there were any additions or deletions to the agenda. A motion was made by Duban and seconded by Kuchinka to approve the agenda. Vote for: Zellner, Furrer, Duban, Lieske, Kuchinka, Pierskalla and Daleiden. Against: None Vote 7-0. Motion carried.

**3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

None

**4. TREASURER'S REPORT**

None

**5. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Consider Approval of a Downtown Streetscape Development Engineering Proposal in the Hourly Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$20,000.00 Submitted by WSB & Associates, Inc.

Erickson reviewed the proposal submitted by WSB & Associates, Inc. There was general discussion on the proposal including separating the tasks identified so the engineering could be terminated at any time and the cost of it. The Board also discussed the proposed park for Main Street. Duban asked if the streetscape project was presented to the City Council, would they approve it. Daleiden said probably not. Zellner said a concern has always been the loss of parking stalls. She said that Glen Lubbers was trying to attract professional services to lease space in his building but always ran into issues concerning the lack of employee parking and customer parking from potential lessors. Erickson said that the bump

outs not would eliminate any more parking from Main Street. There was general discussion on the current businesses on Main Street, what type of businesses the City wants on Main Street, will it increase business opportunities on Main Street and what does the EDA want to see in a streetscape. Kuchinka said the Board needs to decide how much will be spent on the project. There was general discussion on how much should be spent on the project given the funding available. Pierskalla said the City Council has always been willing to provide financial assistance to the EDA if a business wanted to locate in Lonsdale. Duban said spending EDA funds on the project will not bring funds back to the EDA. The Board held general discussion on the proposed Main Street Park. Specifically, reasons to do it, reasons not to do it and the cost. Zellner said she could not think of a better way to support Main Street businesses than by doing the streetscape project. Erickson said the Board needs to determine what they are willing to spend on the project. The Board agreed that the total project cost would be \$100,000.00. A motion was made by Daleiden and seconded by Zellner to approve the engineering proposal submitted by WSB & Associates, Inc. in the hourly not to exceed amount of \$20,000.00. Vote for: Zellner, Furrer, Duban, Lieske, Kuchinka, Pierskalla and Daleiden. Against: None Vote 7-0. Motion carried.

Erickson suggested the Board provide him components they wanted to see incorporated in the streetscape project. The Board said they wanted electrical and water available in each bump out.

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**7. OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Furrer and seconded by Duban to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 am. Vote for: Zellner, Furrer, Duban, Lieske, Kuchinka, Pierskalla and Daleiden. Against: None Vote 7-0. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Joel A. Erickson, City Administrator