



Kandiyohi County & City of Willmar
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

**JOINT OPERATIONS BOARD (OB) MEETING
AGENDA**

11:00 a.m., July 14, 2022

City Office, 20 First Avenue SW, New London
and Via ZOOM Video Conference

11:00 **CALL TO ORDER AND SELF INTRODUCTIONS** (7 members/4 = quorum) President Art Benson

11:01 **COMMENTS/QUESTIONS BY NEW LONDON COMMUNITY**

11:21 **ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA OR CONSENT AGENDA** President Benson

11:23 **CONSENT AGENDA**

- Approve:
1. Minutes of June 9, 2022
 2. Financial reports as of June 30, 2022

- Accept: Committee/Subcommittee Minutes
1. Agriculture and Renewable Energy Development 4/21/2022
 2. Broadband and Advanced Technology 6/6/2022
 3. Finance 6/14/2022
 4. Leisure Travel 5/2/2022

11:25 **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA** President Benson

11:35 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. Housing Study Proposal Aaron Backman

11:50 **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Amend 2022 Budget Aaron Backman/Sarah Swedburg
2. Vision Insurance for Staff Aaron Backman
3. Executive Director's Annual Review President Benson/Jesse Gislason

12:15 **REPORTS**

1. Economic Development Activity Justice Walker/Aaron Backman/Sarah Swedburg
2. Elevate Community Business Academy Sarah Swedburg

12:40 **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

[REMINDER: UNLESS A BOARD MEMBER HAS A QUESTION OR NEEDS ACTION ON A COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION, ONLY COMMITTEES WITH NEW INFORMATION SINCE THE MINUTES INCLUDED IN THE BOARD PACKETS SHOULD REPORT]

1. Agriculture and Renewable Energy Development Sarah Swedburg
 - a. Industrial Hemp Exploratory Subcommittee
2. Broadband and Advanced Technology Donna Boonstra/Sarah Swedburg
3. Business Retention and Expansion/Recruitment Les Heitke/Mary Warszynski/
Aaron Backman/Sarah Swedburg
4. Finance Kelly TerWisscha/Aaron Backman/Sarah Swedburg
5. Marketing and Public Relations Donna Boonstra/Jesse Gislason/Kelsey Olson
6. Leisure Travel Art Benson/Aaron Backman

12:50 **WHAT'S UP.** Board Members

1:00 **ADJOURNMENT** President Benson

NEXT MEETING—The next regular board meeting is **11:00 a.m., Thursday, August 11, 2022** at the Community Room of Heritage Bank, Willmar, and via ZOOM video conference