



**JOINT OPERATIONS BOARD MEETING
AGENDA**

11:00 a.m., April 11, 2024

Community Room, Heritage Bank, Willmar and Via ZOOM Video Conference

11:00 **CALL TO ORDER** (6 members/4 = quorum) President Jesse Gislason

11:01 **ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA OR CONSENT AGENDA** President Gislason

11:02 **CONSENT AGENDA**

- Approve: 1. Minutes of March 14, 2024
- 2. Financial reports as of March 31, 2024
- Accept: Committee/Subcommittee Minutes
- 1. Agriculture and Renewable Energy Development 2/15/2024
- 2. Broadband and Advanced Technology 3/4/2024
- 3. Marketing and Public Relations 2/26/2024

11:04 **ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA** President Gislason

11:06 **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- 1. EDC Office Location Options Update. Aaron Backman
- 2. Executive Director Review Committee President Gislason/Les Heitke/
Mary Warszynski/Corky Berg/Aaron Backman

11:32 **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. City of New London Request/Grant for Professional Services Aaron Backman
- 2. Certificate of Deposit Maturing April 18, 2024 Aaron Backman

11:35 REPORTS

1. Economic Development Activity . . Christopher Corbett/Aaron Backman/Michelle Marotzke
2. Elevate Community Business Academy Michelle Marotzke
3. Child Care Program Michelle Marotzke/Tanna Stucky

12:00 COMMITTEE HIGHLIGHTS

1. Agriculture and Renewable Energy Development Noah Hultgren/Michelle Marotzke
 - a. Industrial Hemp Exploratory Subcommittee
2. Broadband and Advanced Technology Jesse Gislason/Michelle Marotzke
3. Business Retention and Expansion/Recruitment Corky Berg/Les Heitke/
Mary Warszynski/Aaron Backman
4. Finance Aaron Backman/Michelle Marotzke
5. Marketing and Public Relations Jesse Gislason/Kelsey Olson
6. Leisure Travel Art Benson/Kelsey Olson

12:10 WHAT'S UP. Board Members/Staff/Guests

12:15 ADJOURNMENT President Gislason

NEXT MEETING—The next regular board meeting is **11:00 a.m., Thursday, May 9, 2024** at the Community Room of Heritage Bank, 310 First Street SW, Willmar, and via ZOOM video conference