



**MEETING MINUTES
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Wednesday, January 28, 2015, 4:00pm
Meridian City Hall North Conference Room
33 East Broadway Avenue - Meridian, Idaho**

1. Call Meeting to Order [Escobar]:

Chairman Escobar called the meeting to order at 4:03pm.

2. Roll-call Attendance [Escobar]:

<u>X</u>	Jim Escobar – Chairman	<u>X</u>	Keith Bird – Member
<u>O</u>	Dan Basalone – Vice-Chairman	<u>O</u>	Kit Fitzgerald – Member
<u>X</u>	Dave Winder– Secretary/Treasurer	<u>O</u>	Callie Novak – Member
		<u>O</u>	Tammy de Weerd – Member
		<u>X</u>	Eric Jensen – Member
		<u>X</u>	Calvin Barrett – Member
		<u>X</u>	Todd Lakey – Counsel
		<u>X</u>	Ashley Squyres – Administrator

3. Confirm Agenda [Escobar]:

A motion was made by Commissioner Bird and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to confirm the agenda.

ALL AYES.

4. Approve Consent Agenda [Escobar]: These items will be approved by a single vote unless a Board member requests to remove an item for specific discussion and/or action.

a. Approve Minutes of January 14, 2015 Regular Meeting

A motion was made by Commissioner Bird and seconded by Commissioner Winder to confirm the consent agenda.

ALL AYES.

ACTION AND PRESENTATION ITEMS

5. Legislative Update [Scott Turlington]

Scott Turlington provided a legislative update to the board. He discussed the recent committee meetings and how the committee is working to establish criteria for URD's when forming for the purpose of eradication of slum and blight or for economic development. The committee will

continue to meet every Thursday to work on a draft that will hopefully move forward by the end of February.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. Project Development Plan Recommendations and Feedback [Winder]

Winder pointed to the presentation in the board packets that was given by Pegasus Planning and Development at the last board meeting. Squyres stated that she would like to have a broad board discussion based on the initial recommendations. A final report will be presented to the City Council on February 03 at 6pm and it requested that as many MDC Board Members attend as possible to listen. Commissioner Barrett expressed concern regarding the Church of the Harvest and the impression that many have that there are ongoing negotiations for the property without the express approval by this Board. Discussion was had regarding Cameron Arial from Zion's Bank reviewing MDC's financials to determine what MDC could theoretically bond based upon current debt and revenues. Concerns were expressed about trying to bond with only have 10+ years left in the district's lifecycle. Concerns were also stated that MDC should not be the lead developer but rather play an ancillary role.

7. Upcoming Committee Meetings [Squyres]

Squyres reviewed the upcoming committee meetings with the Board.

8. Counsel's Report [Lakey]: Counsel Lakey will review legal topics that need to be brought to the attention of the Board.

No report.

9. Administrator's Report [Squyres]: Administrator Squyres will review topics that need to be brought to the attention of the Board.

No report.

10. Chairman's Report

No report.

11. Public Comment

No public comment.

12. Adjourn the Meeting [Escobar]:

At 4:47pm, a motion was made by Commissioner Bird and seconded by Commissioner Jensen to adjourn the meeting.

ALL AYES.

Jim Escobar, Chairman