



GRAND RAPIDS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, January 22, 2026
4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to due notice and call thereof, a Regular Meeting of the Grand Rapids Economic Development Authority (GREDA) was called to order on Thursday, January 22, 2026 at 4:32 p.m. in Conference Room 2A of City Hall, 420 North Pokegama Avenue, Grand Rapids, Minnesota.

CALL OF ROLL

PRESENT

Commissioner Al Hodnik
President Sholom Blake
Council Representative Molly MacGregor
Council Representative Tom Sutherland
Commissioner Jean MacDonell

ABSENT

Commissioner Wayne Bruns
Commissioner Bill Martinetto

SETTING OF THE REGULAR AGENDA - *This is an opportunity to approve the regular agenda as presented, or to add/delete an agenda item by a majority vote of the Commissioners present .*

Approved with addition:

Consider approval of payment to the Itasca County Auditor/Treasurer in the amount of \$81.00.

Consider approval of payment to Bolton & Menk in the amount of \$13,610.00.

APPROVE MINUTES

1. Consider approval of minutes from the January 8, 2026 regular meeting.

Motion by Commissioner MacDonell, second by Commissioner Hodnik to approve the minutes from the January 8, 2026 regular meeting. The following voted in favor thereof: Sutherland, MacDonell, Blake, MacGregor, Hodnik. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

APPROVE CLAIMS

2. Consider approval of claims in the amount of \$157,563.

Motion by Commissioner Hodnik, second by Commissioner MacGregor to approve claims in the amount of \$157,563.00. The following voted in favor thereof: Hodnik, MacGregor, Blake, MacDonell, Sutherland. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

2a. Consider payment in the amount of \$81.00 to the Itasca County Auditor/Treasurer.

Motion by Commissioner MacGregor, second by Commissioner MacDonell to approve payment in the amount of \$81.00 to the Itasca County Auditor/Treasurer. The following voted in favor thereof: Sutherland, MacDonell, Blake, MacGregor, Hodnik. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

2b. Consider payment in the amount of \$13,610.00 to Bolton & Menk.

Motion by Commissioner Hodnik, second by Commissioner Sutherland to approve payment in the amount of \$13,610.00 to Bolton & Menk. The following voted in favor thereof: Hodnik, MacGregor, Blake, MacDonell, Sutherland. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS

3. Consider approval of a lease with True North Salon for Suite 103 of Central School.

President Blake and Commissioner Mertes along with staff reviewed the proposed lease and are recommending approval. It would be a four year lease with a graduated rate that would increase 10% each year.

Motion by Commissioner MacGregor, second by Commissioner Sutherland to approve a lease with True North Salon for Suite 103 of Central School. The following voted in favor thereof: Hodnik, MacGregor, Blake, MacDonell, Sutherland. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

UPDATES

DEED Demo Application- Staff is expecting to hear if this grant will be awarded to the GREDA mid March.

Former ISD 318 Admin Bldg- Mr. Mattei is putting together an RFP which would include the bidding and contract management for the demo and utility project.

ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Aurimy Groom

MEMBERS & TERMS

Molly MacGregor - 12/31/2026 Council Representative

Tom Sutherland - 12/31/2026 Council Representative

Wayne Bruns - 3/1/31

Sholom Blake - 3/1/31

Al Hodnik - 3/1/27

Bill Martinetto - 3/1/29
Jean MacDonell - 3/1/30