

## GFDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS & COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 5, 2024

8:00 – 9:30 AM

Heritage Hall, Great Falls College

Zoom Option

Meeting ID: 940 1482 9623

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### GFDA Staff Present:

Anna Flies, Brett Doney, Christian Leinhauser, Deb McGregor, Jenn Gallmeier, Tracy Heggem

### GFDA Board Members Present:

Andreas Geranios, Brett Harris, Brittany Riley, Dale Nelson, Dan Rearden, Dani Grebe, Dave Smith, Denise Schnider, Dwayne Howard, Ed Brown, Glenn Bliss, Heather Hoyer, Jayson Olthoff, Jesse Waldenberg, Jim Dea, Joe Briggs, John Faulkner, Johnna Lightbourne, Kyle Herda, Len Watkins, Mark Cappis, Martin Kuchta, Mike Mills, Nate Weisenburger, Pat Woodall, Randy Gilbertson, Raymond Porter, Rebecca Engum, Dr. Renee Perra, Rob Haney, Shane Etwiler, Sharon Virgin, Dr. Stephanie Erdmann, Toby Malsam, Tom Heisler, Tyler Muzzana, Zach Mendenhall

### GFDA Council Members Present:

Brandon Rosten, Jana Cooper, Keith Cron, Mark Wallingford, Mike Parcel

### Liasons Present:

Jacqueline Fogerty, MAFB

### Guests:

Jane Weber (City Commission), Joe McKenney (City Commission), Rob Worden (Vision Net), Collette Brown (ADF), Russ Miner (HD 19), John Juras (TD&H), Tracy Jerman (Northrop Grumman), Nathan Reiff (First Interstate Bank), Brian Marler (Ponderosa Solutions)

Economic Development Lethbridge: Trevor Lewington, Mark Neskar, Sandra Dufresne

Moffat & Nichols: Rob Martinez, Jameson Ayeres, Eli Falls

*Times are approximate and agenda items may be taken out of order. Any Director with a potential conflict of interest on the agenda should state the conflict at the start of the meeting.*

8:00 1. Introductions – Mark Cappis

8:05 2. Consent Agenda – Mark Cappis

1) Accept excused absences: Ashley Clark, Morgan Tweet, Shannon Hoiland

2) Approve minutes of 8/1/24 Board meeting.

**ACTION TAKEN: Motion to approve Consent Agenda. Motion seconded. None opposed. Motion carries.**

8:10 3. Logistics Market Assessment & Strategy – Brett Doney and Moffat & Nichols

Presentation of the findings of the freight logistics market assessment we commissioned and economic development strategy recommendations, followed by Q&A and discussion.

9:00 4. AgriTech Park – Brett Doney

Update on the Great Falls AgriTech Park. Take action as desired by Board.

9:10 5. Pipeline Update – Brett Doney

9:15 6. CEO Report – Brett Doney

- 9:20 7. Board Sharing – Mark Capps  
Updates from Board members on issues affecting GFDA’s mission and organization.
- 9:25 8. Public Comment – Mark Capps  
Opportunity for public comment.

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