

City of Stanwood
Regular Meeting of the Economic Development Board
October 17, 2025 | 7:30 AM

Minutes

1. Call to Order

Economic Development Board Members Present: Les Anderson, Kristine Birkenkopf, Dave Pelletier, Teresa Lafleur, Camrie Ingram (SHS Student)

Staff Present: Patricia Love, Niki Strachila, Audrey Rotrock

Kristine Birkenkopf called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

a. Economic Development Board Meeting Minutes 2025.07.18

The Board approved the minutes from July 18, 2025, unanimously.

3. Unfinished Business

4. New Business

a. Depot Park Design Amendments

For the bandstand, consider using a metal roof or another low-maintenance material. Also, include lighting in the bandstand design. The Board would like the design theme used at Depot Park to be carried through to the future park on the Raplee property for consistency.

b. Brick Road Design Amendments

Consider starting construction at the 102nd Avenue intersection before the brick road portion, to help with traffic flow.

c. Cedarhome Triangle Design Amendments

Staff discussed the Cedarhome Triangle design amendments with the Board.

d. Business and Community Relations Coordinator Introduction

The Board is excited to welcome Aaron Weinberg as the Business and Community Relations Coordinator to the City. They look forward to working with him to bring more unity and vibrancy to downtown businesses.

e. Board Meeting Schedule Update

The next meeting will be on January 16, 2026.

f. Downtown Initiative Update

City staff will be pursuing a historic preservation program separate from the downtown initiative work.

The fourth downtown district initiative committee meeting will be held in

November to assess the feasibility of establishing a Creative District and/or Main Street Program in Stanwood.

A targeted business survey will be going out to gather input from all businesses in Stanwood.

5. Board Member Comments

How could the City attract an interactive business to the center portion of the Twin City Mile? This would be a great way to unite the two sections of downtown Stanwood.

6. Adjourn

8:40 a.m.

City of Stanwood

Attest:

Sid Roberts, Mayor

Lisa Sokolik, City Clerk