



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Work Session Agenda

Tuesday, January 15, 2019

10:00 AM

or immediately following the regular board meeting

Meeting to be held in the County Board Room, Historic Courthouse, 215 1st Ave S, Long Prairie, MN.

<i>Agenda Item #</i>		<i>Agenda Time:</i>
1	Camphill Village Presentation/Update <i>Bill Briggs, Camphill Village</i>	10:00
2	Proposal to develop Affordable Senior Housing - Eagle Bend and Todd County <i>Housing Committee: John Rachuy & Verna Toenyan</i>	10:15
3	Update: Recycling, Ag Bags, & Hauler Agreements <i>Coordinator Stainbrook, Solid Waste Manager Clasemann, & Chris McConn, OtterTail Waste Management Director</i>	10:30

*Commissioners may be in the Commissioner's Board Room prior to the board meeting proceedings.
The County Board will open the meeting at the posted time and reserves the right to alter the agenda schedule for business needs.*

January 9, 2019

To: County Commissioners

Re: Request to be on agenda for January 15, 2019
Work Session

Topic: Proposal to develop Affordable Senior
Housing- Eagle Bend and Todd County

Presenters: John Rachuey and Verna Toenyan-
representing the Housing Committee

Attachments: Letter from United Church Homes
Eagle Bend City- Resolution
#18-22- 58G

December 11, 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

United Church Homes is a nonprofit sponsor and owner of more than seventy senior living and affordable housing communities in fourteen states. Two of our communities are located within Minnesota- Biimaadiiziin located on the White Earth Indian Reservation and Harmony Apartments (formerly known as Prairie View 400) in Long Prairie.

We are very much interested in renovating the classroom section of the former school building in Eagle Bend into senior housing. After many discussions with folks from Eagle Bend and other parts of Todd County, we believe we can create some market rate two-bedroom units and some one-bedroom units with rental assistance from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

We expect HUD to announce a funding program with rental assistance for persons age 62 and older earning less than fifty percent of the area median income (\$24,350 for one person) sometime after the first of the year. Details of the application process will be announced in a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA).

Until the NOFA is released, I cannot predict time frames for the application, award, and development process. However, based on previous years, the application process is open for about 90 days and announcements of funds awarded are made six months later. Therefore, we probably won't November 2019 if the project is funded. That being said, I believe the application would be very strong and have a good chance of being funded.

Positive factors for the Eagle Bend location that lend to a strong application include: \$1,500,000 state money for renovation; availability of the kitchen to provide lunches for the residents and activities; support from the Eagle Bend community and Todd County; possibility of grant money to renovate the auditorium for community and resident benefit; the need for senior housing in the area, etc.

Continued updates of the process will be provided. Please feel free to contact me via email at cwickersham@uchinc.org or on my cell at 614-496-7682 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Cheryl L. Wickersham
V.P. Housing Services

**RESOLUTION
(#18-22-586)**

**RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING SUPPORT FOR UNITED CHURCH OF HOMES FOR THE
REDEVELOPMENT OF THE THREE STORY EAGLE BEND SCHOOL BUILDING**

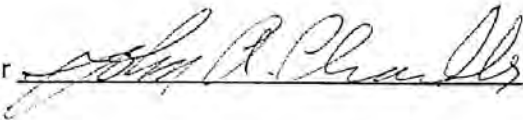
WHEREAS, the United Church of Homes has been actively researching the redevelopment of the three story Eagle Bend High School building into affordable senior housing;

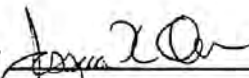
AND WHEREAS, the United Church of Homes has indicated that this project is viable and are asking for support for this proposed project;

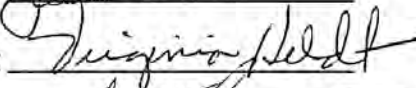
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Eagle Bend supports the United Church of Homes in their endeavor to redevelop the three Story Eagle Bend High School building into affordable senior housing;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Eagle Bend will assist in any means that is at the city's disposal to help the United Church of Homes succeed with this project.

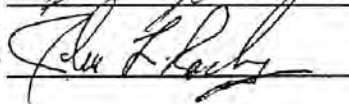
Adopted by the council this 17th day of December, 2018.

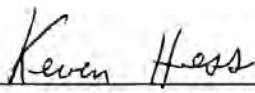
Mayor 

City Council Member 

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Attest: 
City Administrator?Clerk