

**ROSEMOUNT PORT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING PROCEEDINGS
JUNE 17, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting of the Port Authority Commission was held on Tuesday, June 17, 2025, at 6:00 PM. in Rosemount Council Chambers, 2875 145th Street West.

Chairperson Klimpel called the meeting to order with Commissioners Freske, Weisensel and Beaudette. Commissioners Essler and Ober were absent.

Staff present included the following; VanOss, Kienberger, Martin and Saunders.

CONSENT AGENDA

OLD BUSINESS

None.

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Paul Dzubnar, CEO of D&D Holdings spoke to City Council. Mr. Dzubnar elaborated on the type of cuisine Copperfield Restaurant will feature; American cuisine. They will serve breakfast, lunch and dinner. Their food is locally sourced, with breakfast being served all day. Their food is made from scratch in their nearby commissary kitchen where food is made then delivered, along with prep at the site. The Copperfield Restaurant in Mendota Heights is highly successful.

Tim Beaudette requested Mr. Dzubnar gives more details on the cuisine being served.

Mayor Weisensel inquired about the Rosemount location being a free-standing building vs. connected to a complex. Mr. Dzubnar explained that in order to have the location in Mendota Heights, the city required them to build near a senior living community.

Schane Rudlang of Ehlers highlighted the Spending Plan for Copperfield Restaurant. D & D Holdings has requested \$500,000 to assist with a new 6,000 SF restaurant in Rosemount, creating 30 new jobs in our community. If approved, construction will begin in 2025. Both the funds and construction will need to be started by December 31, 2026, however. The next steps are conducting a Public Hearing for Business Subsidy, consideration of approval of the assistance, approval of development agreement and ensuring the spending plans TIF funds are spent by December 31, (2025) 2026, or they will return as TIF with the spending restrictions.

Mayor Weisensel is looking forward to having this establishment in Rosemount.

Motion by Weisensel Second by Freske

Motion to direct staff to move forward with a development agreement with D&D Holdings

Ayes: 4.

Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Liz Kohler with Community Development gave a debrief on the Expo hosted in April 2025. Ms. Kohler reported the Expo included classes, seminars, performers, food trucks and 65 booths. There were many returning vendors and approximately 500+ people in attendance. Ms. Kohler also noted that this year there were Platinum Sponsors to help with higher-cost items. The feedback gathered by both attendees and vendors is that the classes and performance are not as well-attended as in 2024. The most common response is to have a consistent date for the event every year.

Commissioner Freske asked the number of attendees this year vs. last year if numbers were down. Staff had to estimate due to multiple entrances, but the number of people was comparable to previous years. Freske commented that she loved the theme of Destination Rosemount for the Expo. It is a very good fit for our community.

Commissioner Klimpel asked if the location was possibly the issue with the classes not being well attended? Ms. Kohler believes it had something to do with it.

Commissioner Beaudette commented on avoiding hosting when surrounding cities are hosting their events as well, and could we reduce the hours of the event?

Kohler and Keinberger will strongly consider these suggestions.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Klimpel does not have any items.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Eric VanOss reported on projects in Rosemount.

The project at Akron will be breaking ground later this summer. DCTC purchased land from Lifetime. Their plan is for 4 buildable lots - 3 commercial, 1 residential. Montessori School is one of the plans talked about. The City has purchased Speedway and demolition will take place in the next 2–3 weeks. The goal is to have the site cleaned up for Leprechan Days, with talks with residents beginning soon.

It is estimated that June 25, 2025 Croft at Rosemount groundbreaking will begin.

Commissioner Freske asked Mr. VanOss if there are any updates to The Clover site. Mr. VanOss stated that there is no news.

Lastly, Mr. VanOss reported the University of Minnesota sold land to Project Falcon last week.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Port Authority at the regular meeting and upon a motion by Klimpel and a second by Beaudette the meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sarah Saunders
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