

The Mandan Renaissance Zone Committee met at noon on Sept 15, 2011, in the Edward “Bosh” Froelich Room at City Hall. Committee members present were Jay Feil, David Leingang, Robert Vayda and Dot Frank. Absent were Bruce Strinden, Rob Knoll and Pat Maddock. Others present were Business Development Director Ellen Huber and committee candidate Darren Haugen.

Feil moved to appoint Leingang as acting chair for the meeting. Vayda seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Leingang called the meeting to order. Committee members reviewed the agenda

Feil moved to approve the agenda. Frank seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Committee members reviewed minutes of the meeting held June 14, 2011.

Feil moved to approve the minutes. Frank seconded. Motion approved unanimously.

### **New Business**

**Consider letter of interest for Renaissance Zone Committee position from Darren Haugen.** Jay Feil notified the committee at the June 14, 2011, meeting of his wish to resign from the committee effective Sept. 30, 2011. A news release was issued July 14 with letters of interest due Aug. 1. The release called for interest from representatives of local financial institutions. It was e-mailed to the local financial institutions and also appeared in the Mandan News and Bismarck Tribune. A letter of interest was received from Darren Haugen, senior vice president of financial services for Starion Financial.

Haugen summarized his background for the committee including being a Mandan high school graduate, lifelong community member and long-time employee of Starion Financial in Mandan.

Feil moved to recommend the appointment of Darren Haugen to fill the remainder of his three-year term which expires at the end of 2013. Frank seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Frank moved to adjourn the meeting. Vayda seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Ellen Huber,  
Business Development Director

Bruce Strinden  
Chairman  
Renaissance Zone Committee