



**JSDC Annual Meeting Official Minutes**  
**April 25, 2018 @ 6:00pm**  
**Quality Inn and Suites**

**Board Members Present:** Bob Toso, Ritchie Wolf, Mark Klose, Chris Rathjen, Katie Andersen, Bill Lytle, CJ Janke, Marlee Siewert, Gerald Horner, Jason Rohr, and Lorrie Pavlicek.

**Board Members Absent:** Tom Hausmann, Dale Marks, Ramone Gumke, and Kelly Rachel.

**Staff Present:** Connie Ova, Corry Shevlin, Tracey Pringle, and Beth Blumhardt.

**Guest totals:** Around 110 guests were in attendance at the meeting.

**Called to order:** Chris Rathjen, President of the JSDC Board of Directors, called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**Conflict of Interest:** None to declare.

**Opening Comments:** Chris Rathjen welcomed guests to the JSDC Annual Meeting and recognized JSDC Board Members, City Officials and County Commissioners present.

**2017 Year in Review:** Chris Rathjen reviewed the highlights of the 2017 year.

**Keynote Speaker:** Keith Lund, President/CEO of the Grand Forks Region EDC, presented as one of the Keynote Speakers. Keith gave a presentation on the Grand Forks Economic Development Corporation. Maria Effertz Hanson from AE2S also presented as a Keynote Speaker and gave a presentation on JSDC Communication & Workforce Strategy.

**CEO Remarks:** Connie Ova recognized JSDC staff and briefly touched on the 2017 year.

**Annual Audit Report:** Mindy Piatz, CPA, Brady, Martz & Associates reviewed the 2017 JSDC Annual Audit with all in attendance.

*Lorrie Pavlicek made a motion to approve and accept the 2017 JSDC Annual Audit, Bob Toso seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.*

**Growing Jamestown/Stutsman Award:** Chris Rathjen introduced Mayor Katie Andersen and Commissioner Mark Klose to come up and present the Growing Jamestown/Stutsman Award. Agri-Cover, Inc. was chosen as the selected recipient of the Growing Jamestown/Stutsman Award for 2017.

**Looking forward to 2018:** Chris projected on the upcoming 2018 year.

**Adjourned:** The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm by Chris Rathjen.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Beth Blumhardt: JSDC Administrative Assistant