

BEMIDJI CITY COUNCIL

Work Session Agenda

Monday, August 22, 2016

**City Hall
Conference Room
5:30 P.M.**



1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

2. DISCUSSION - VISIT BEMIDJI RESTRUCTURE OF BOARD

3. ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: All cellular telephones, pagers and BlackBerry devices to be switched to a non-audible function during Council and Committee meetings.

Date: 8.16.16
To: Bemidji City Council
Fr: Visit Bemidji, President, Mitch Rautio
Re: Visit Bemidji Update

We would like to present the following Visit Bemidji updates that have taken shape through conversations at Visit Bemidji board meetings and City task force meetings.

1. Visit Bemidji would be willing to move back to the Tourist Information Center, when the time permits with current leases.
2. Visit Bemidji would be willing to hire an additional staff member to work with our current staff to accomplish Visit Bemidji goals.
3. Visit Bemidji will promote community dialog on the Food & Beverage Tax.
4. Directors of Visit Bemidji, Chamber of Commerce, Greater Bemidji and the Sanford Center are now communicating about a collaborative marketing plan.
5. Visit Bemidji Board Expansion
 - o Visit Bemidji proposes the expansion of the board as shown below.

14 Member Board
Bemidji State University
City (paid staff)
City (Elected Official)
Sanford Center
Innkeeper
Innkeeper
Innkeeper
Bemidji Downtown Alliance
Food and Beverage
Regional Attraction
Regional Attraction
Chamber of Commerce
Greater Bemidji
Airport Authority