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ND DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE VISITS THE MAGIC CITY

A mid-July visit from the North Dakota Department of Commerce (NDDOC) to Minot focused on both information gathering and information giving. The Minot Area Development Corporation hosted a group of five employees from the NDDOC to discuss current and future state programs, as well as share key information with the state agency on the pulse of the community and region. The small community meeting included staff and board members from MADC. The NDDOC is making these visits throughout the state in an effort to maintain communication with cities and regions, and compile essential information for state organizations to use.

SAVE THE DATE FOR ANNUAL NETWORKING SEMINAR IN SEPTEMBER

The fifth annual Business Networking Seminar, held in connection with the Norsk Høstfest, is scheduled for September 26. Clear your calendar and plan on being at the Grand Hotel in Minot, as Minot State University and the Minot Area Development Corporation will hold the seminar from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. This year's seminar will feature Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) and will highlight the connection between Minot, ND and Scandinavian countries. For more information, please contact the MADC office at 701-852-1075 or jhauge@minotusa.com.

CONTINUED WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

MADC staff is learning the latest when it comes to workforce development strategies that will impact recruitment efforts as well as highlight the role of higher education in these strategies. Stephanie Hoffart, MADDC President and CEO, attended the latest International Economic Development Council (IEDC) class on these topics and more in July, in Minneapolis. The course qualifies for IEDC certification and is designed to better understand the “essential relationship between economic and workforce development.”

Thank you for supporting economic development in the Minot area and investing in Minot's future! The following businesses renewed their yearly investment in June:

**Clute Office Equipment
Concrete Mobile, LLC.
Electrical Workers Union #714
Gravel Products, Inc.
Greater Northwest Publishing, Inc.
Investors Management &
Marketing
Kalix
Minot's Finest Collision Center
Mowbray & Son Plumbing &
Heating, Inc.
ND State Fair Association
Peoples State Bank
Rolac Contracting, Inc.
Thomas Family Funeral Home
Xcel Energy**

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