

Port Authority

The Port Authority board was formed in 1985. Before the Port Authority board was formed, many of the responsibilities of the port authority was done by an economic development committee. The Port Authority's mission is promoting economic and industrial development, together with identifying and coordinating redevelopment for the purpose of enhancing the tax base, promoting employment and contributing to the economic vitality and quality of life of the City of Red Wing. Before a port authority could be formed state legislation had to be passed.

At a special meeting held on March 29, 1985 resolution no. 2157 was passed creating a need for state legislature to be passed to create a port authority in Red Wing. State legislation was passed allowing the creation of Red Wing Port Authority. Minnesota Statutes Section 469.081 authorizing the City of Red Wing to establish a port authority with the same powers as a port authority established under Minnesota Statutes. At a special meeting held on June 3, 1985 resolution 2211 was passed allowing the City of Red Wing to create a Port Authority. The First meeting of the Port Authority was held on September 19, 1985.

The purpose of the current Port Authority is to act as the city's primary economic development agency and administer waterfront leases for recreation and commercial purposes. The Port Authority represents the city's continued interest in job creation and economic growth.