

Approved Downtown Development Authority Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 2nd 7:30 AM Commerce One, 901 Saginaw St. Bay City, MI 48708

The regular meeting of the Downtown Development Authority was called to order at 7:30 AM by Chairwoman DeShano. Members present were:

Don CarlyonJean Ann DeshanoDan DimitroffAshley AndersonJoe WespiserDave DittenberMichael BacigalupoTrevor KeyesJeff Staudacher

John Neeb Don Sabourin

The following were absent: Mike Dore, Mayor Kathi Newsham

Also Present: Terry Moultane, City of Bay City Representative

Kellie Wackerle, DDA/DMB Office Staff

George Martini, City of Bay City

PRE-NOTIFICATION OF ABSENCES

None.

ORGANIZATION

a.) DDA Minutes and DDA Financials were presented from 5/5/2021 received and approved. Motion to approve by Staudacher, Anderson second, all in favor.

GENERAL BUISNESS

- a) **Façade Grant Update**: The Façade Grant program depleted their funding by granting Drift, a new bar & restaurant located at 1019 Water St. the final \$5,558 to improve their façade. Those who have received the grant funding have been moving forward well, M2 is nearly complete and the green awnings on the Tanner building have been removed to be replaced. The DDA will be collecting receipts soon.
- b) **Financials:** Wackerle presented DDA with amounts due from the DDA to the DMB. Total due is \$7,946.41. Approval to make these payments by Neeb, seconded by Dittenber, all in favor. Once taxes are paid, funding will be distributed to the DDA, probably around July/August.
- c) **Tree Grate Program:** No update from the City of Bay City on their plan for the tree grates, wanting to focus on Water St. improvement first.

- d) **Parking:** Parking permits are now for sale at the DDA office located at 901 Saginaw St. Parking will be enforced beginning July 1st. Wackerle will provide monthly updates on passes being sold.
- e) Wenonah Park Plaza Update: Director Anderson is looking into having lighting similar to Rotary Park in Lansing, MI. The picnic tables located near the river will be replaced soon with similar, heavier tables with umbrellas. Two chess tables are on order, as well as 9 benches, 3 to be placed by the recently moved playground. The playground was moved back further from the water and DoubleTree property towards the ancillary building.
- f) **Bird Scooters:** Bird Scooters, an electric scooter rental service ,will soon be in place in Bay City. A memo of understanding came from the City of Bay City attorney and will go to the commission on June 7th. Bay City will have 50 scooters to start.
- g) **Organizational Structure of the DDA:** A portion of the stimulus that the City of Bay City received could potentially be used to replace lead pipes that are still in the ground around Downtown. While the lead pipes are being replace, this could also help improve Downtown alleyways. This will be looked into further once Consumers Energy is done working at the end of the Summer season.

OTHER

- The DDA and DMB will begin to meet together at least once a month with regular communication.
- · The next DDA meeting is scheduled for July 7th.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the Downtown Management Board and Downtown Development Authority, meeting adjourned at 8:34 am.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kellie Wackerle, Marketing Specialist