

CITY OF NEW BALTIMORE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (DDA)

MEETING MINUTES

JULY 10, 2019

A meeting of the City of New Baltimore Downtown Development Authority (DDA) held on Wednesday, July 10, 2019 at the City of New Baltimore Conference Room located at 36535 Green Street, New Baltimore, Michigan 48047 was called to order by Chairman Higgins at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge was recited by all those present.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Byrum, Dittrich, Drompp, Dupray, Higgins – Chairman, Krause, Lietke-Vice-Chairman, Miller – Treasurer, Hanway – Secretary.

NOT PRESENT: Quinn

ALSO PRESENT: Florence Hayman, Carl Weinreich, Council Representatives

A Motion was made by Dittrich, supported by Lietke to excuse the absent members. The Motion Carried. A quorum was declared.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES (June 12, 2019)

A Motion was made by Lietke, supported by Miller to approve the minutes as amended. The name of Ken Butler needed to be added to the minutes. The Motion Carried.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

A Motion was made by Dupray supported by Miller to adopt the agenda as presented. The Motion Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Members were in receipt of the Treasurer and Budget Reports dated 6/30/2019. Treasurer Miller reviewed the reports, pointing out the new fiscal year started July 1. After review, the following action was taken:

A Motion was made by Dittrich, supported by Lietke to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented. The Motion Carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Veronica Murphy, 50740 Rose Street, presented members with two drawings. One was an aerial view of the proposed location of the sprinklers for Burke Park and the second was a street view of proposed fencing and shrubs. These were just preliminary sketches to give the board an idea of what was being considered. She was working with Tim Novak from Parks & Recreation on obtaining 3 estimates of cost. She was asking that members look at the idea of replacing the shrubs along the front of the park. Parks & Recreation had suggested removing all the current shrubs and putting in new ones after the fencing

was complete. She also stated they were looking at placing sidewalks in the middle area of where the beach is for people to use to walk down to the beach. Mrs. Murphy estimated the cost of fencing would be about \$13,000. She stated it was up to the board to contribute to the cost of this project.

GENERAL BUSINESS

A. DTE BILL \$35.58

A Motion was made by Miller, supported by Dittrich to approve payment of the invoice to DTE dated June 21, 2019 in the amount of \$35.58. The Motion Carried.

B. IRRIGATION INVOICE \$110.

A Motion was made by Lietke, supported by Miller to table this item until the next DDA Meeting.

C. DOCK REPORT

It was decided by members to make a presentation regarding this project to the Parks & Recreation Commission at their meeting of August 1, and to City Council on August 12. That way the information regarding the dock project would be presented to relevant members for their review.

D. COUNTRY FEST

There was lengthy discussion regarding the details for the country fest to be held Friday, July 12 and Saturday, July 13 at Burke Park. Chairman Higgins reminded members the DDA had approved a budget of \$25,000 for this event if needed.

It was decided that basically the promotor hired had not done much promoting for this event. Mr. Miller suggested this issue be looked at after the event.

Mr. Lietke thanked Mrs. Hayman for filling up the volunteer book.

Chairman Higgins thanked all the city departments and organizations who were helping.

MAYOR UPDATE

Mayor Dupray pointed out the DDA had done a streetscape a few years ago and it had been recommended at that time that bumpouts should be put on the Washington Street corners. Instead of putting in bumpouts, the corner curbs were just painted. He felt if the DDA had available funds that project should be done.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mr. Miller informed members a spaghetti dinner was being held at St. John Church parking lot with all proceeds going to Families Against Narcotics (FAN).

ADJOURNMENT

A Motion was made by Lietke, supported by Miller to adjourn the meeting at 8:05p.m. The Motion Carried.

Minutes submitted by Janice Hanway, Secretary