



DDA MEETING MINUTES

Of

January 21, 2022

Members Present: Bacheller, Bowman, Pringle, Chairman Huegli,
Director Paul Maxwell, Supervisor Lewandowski, Sec./Treasurer Shonka.

Members Absent: None

Meeting was called to order at 12:07pm by Chairman Huegli.

Motion by Beedon, second by Bowman, to approve the minutes of the, October 15, 2021 meeting. **Motion Passed.**

Motion by Bowman, second by Pringle. to accept the Treasurers Report as presented.

Motion Passed.

Unfinished Business -

Director Maxwell updated the board on:

Loves Furniture Property – Ongoing interest in the building. Currently 2-3 interested parties.

Super K-mart Property – Storage type uses from interested parties have looked at the building.

New Business

DTE Energy – contractor has replaced many of the bands at the base of the historic lights in the DDA so far, the repairs including painting are looking great. The remaining repairs will be concluded in the spring.

Randy's Rental – has possibly gone out of business at that location. Member Pringle has been there the previous week and it was open.

Medler Electric – Has been sold but not clear as to the nature of the use of the property.

Black History Month – Director has been contacted by a committee consisting of NAACP, Score, BLM, Diversity Initiative, with other civic and faith organizations with Pastor Kim Brown as coordinator. The organization will be producing 30 banners on our historic lights for the month of February. Banner content will be local individuals, themes, and others pertaining to black history month. Our DPW will be installing the banded brackets and banners. Director is requesting permission to purchase banner hardware for the banners at a cost to not exceed \$5000.00. Motion by Bowman, 2nd by Beedon. **Motion Passed.**

Wirtz Groups Mfg. – Company installed a new brick wall with three flag pole feature on the front lawn area on 24th St. at their main office. Great enhancement to the property.

DDA Renewal – Discussion on extending DDA as the 30-year end date is 12/31 this year. We have contacted our new planning director Steve Casin for a quote on extending the DDA within the deadline. Director Maxwell believes there are many things we can continue to do in the DDA to enhance the district including sidewalks and aging and undersized waterline upgrades. Much discussion in this topic from board members. Motion to move forward by Bowman, second by Beedon. **Motion Passed.**

Meeting Dates – After further review, the meetings are usually held on the third Friday of the month in January, April, July, and October at noon. Special meetings may be convened as needed throughout the year. Motion by Bowman second by Lewandowski to approve the updated meeting dates. **Motion Passed.**

Howard St. Sidewalk – Received Motion to approve the engineer's proposal for the sidewalk engineering not to exceed \$21600.00 by Bowman, second by, Pringle. Motion Passed.

Questions –

Amtrak – Question by Bacheller about the status of Amtrak. No new development on this issue. Canadian Pacific is looking to build a tunnel under the Detroit river. Director Maxwell does not believe there will be anything in the near future on Amtrak.

Next Meeting: April 15, 2022

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Motion by, Bowman, Second By, Bacheller, to adjourn. **Motion Passed.**

Adjourned @12:52 pm.