

**REGULAR MEETING
VILLAGE OF CALUMET
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
CALUMET VILLAGE TOWN HALL
340 SIXTH ST.
CALUMET, MICHIGAN
TUESDAY, March 14th, 2023 AT 1:00PM**

Present: Chair Leah Polzien; Board members; JW Miller, Tom Dumble, Pete Hahn, Andrew Ranville

Absent: Village President Robert Tarvis. Board members; Rick Campioni, Lorri Oikarinen

Vacancies: One Member

Also Present from Village: Trustee Pam Que, Village Manager Megan Haselden

Public: None

I. Call to Order

Chair Leah Polzien called the meeting to order at 1:08pm, and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Acceptance of Agenda

Motion made by Board Member Miller to accept the motion as written, seconded by Board Member Hahn.

Motion Passed 5/0.

III. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Board Member Miller and seconded by Board Member Hahn to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Tuesday, February 7th, 2023.

Motion Passed 5/0

IV. Agenda

1. Petitions from the Public

none

2. Signage and Branding

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Village Council Trustee Pam Que provided an update on the HDC street signage project. She anticipates the project will stay within budget and material for the signs is in and she expects that she will have a test sign for the next meeting.

Chair Polzien and Trustee Ranville present information about a NEA grant they would like to pursue on behalf of the Village and DDA to have a logo and a few taglines created for the Village of Calumet. The grant would provide a design team to conduct public input and up to \$6000. The grant does require a 50% cash or in-kind match. They intend to work together on the application which would go to the Village Council for approval.

Much discussion was had about the many opportunities that exist for signage outside Village boundaries to direct traffic into the Village. Efforts to reach out to Calumet Township and the Village of Laurium will be made by Chair Polzien to open up discussion with those municipalities.

3. DDA Property Updates

Chair Polzien reports that the Greenspace project is waiting for final design and cost estimates from UPEA which is expected to be ready to go to bid in April, 2023. Polzien reports the landscape architect, Kristin Sanchez from UPEA partner firm Graef, is bringing the concept plan up to final design standards and working to accommodate rising costs and site conditions that were not considered during the initial concept phase.

4. DDA Info Sessions

The DDA information sessions were held at noon and 6:00pm on Tuesday, February 7th, 2023 in Village Chambers. There were no attendees at the noon session and the evening session Trustees Andrew Ranville and Peggy Germain (on Zoom) and Calumet Theatre President, Dan Jamison were present. A video of the evening session is available on the Village website along with slides of the Power Point presentation.

5. Updates from Village Council or other Reports

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Trustee Que reported that the Planning Commission has one new member and one candidate.

6. Bills

Motion made by Board Member Hahn and seconded by Board Member Dumble to approve the pre-paid bills for February, UPEA invoice for \$3814.12 and Park North LLC invoice for \$10,000.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Board Members Miller, Dumble, Hahn, Polzien, Ranville

Nays: None

Absent: Board Members, Tarvis, Oikarinen, Campioni

Abstain: None

Motion Passes 5/0

7. Adjourn

Motion made to Board Member Ranville to adjourn, seconded by Board Member Dumble .

Motion passes 5/0.

Meeting adjourned at 1:58pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Leah Polzien
Chair, Village of Calumet DDA