

**CALUMET VILLAGE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
CALUMET VILLAGE TOWN HALL  
340 SIXTH STREET  
CALUMET, MICHIGAN 49913  
February 4, 2020**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Leah Polzien at 7:26 PM.

Present: Members Leah Polzien, David Geisler, Lorri Oikarinen, Rick Campioni, Tom Dumble, Pete Hahn.

Absent: Tim Bies, Andrew Ranville

Vacant: One

Also Present: Caleb Katz, Village Administrator and two members of the public.

**A. Pledge of Allegiance**

Chair Leah Polzien led the pledge of allegiance.

**II. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

Chair Leah Polzien asked for the agenda to be amended to add Hometown Take over to the agenda. Moved by David Geisler and seconded by Rick Campioni to amend the agenda to include Hometown Takeover.

Motion carried unanimously (6/0).

**III. AGENDA**

**1. Petitions from the Public**

None.

**2. Minutes**

Moved by Rick Campioni and seconded by Dave Geisler to accept the January 7, 2020 regular meeting minutes.

Motion carried unanimously (6/0).

**3. Hometown Take Over**

Chair Leah Polzien led a discussion and have overview of the application for the HGTV Hometown Takeover, the finished product of the submitted video was shown. A motion was made by Tom Dumble and seconded by Rick Campioni to expend up to \$100.00 for the HGTV video costs.

Voice vote: Ayes: Dave Geisler, Rick Campioni, Tom Dumble, Pete Hahn, Leah Polzien, Lorri Oikarinen.

Nays: None

**4. Calumet Greenspace Improvement Project**

The next Green Space Committee meeting is to be held on February 7, 2020 at 2:00 PM at the Village Hall. An update was given by Chair Leah Polzien on the greenspace, as well as that discussions are being had with the adjacent building owners for future maintenance, trash, snow removal and other types of activities.

**5. DDA Plan Update/Proposal Review**

There was a update given to the DDA about the joint meeting that had occurred prior to the regular DDA meeting. A decision was made to recommend the Beckett and Raeder plan to the council. Chair Leah Polzien will speak with the MEDC to make sure they are onboard with the DDA's decision.

**6. Mihelich Slaughterhouse**

There was a discussion on the proposed draft for the Mihelich Slaughterhouse purchase RFP. A decision was reached to send it to Village Attorney Jim Tercha. Further discussion was had on possibilities of removing the structure, and that there is at least one interested party. Further, it was discussed that the property should be advertised so that everyone and anyone can have an opportunity to pursue it if desired. Lastly, the group voiced opinions that the HDC should be made aware of this update as well.

**7. CDBG Update**

A brief update was given to the group by Chair Leah Polzien that no changes have occurred in regards to the CDBG grant. Administrator Katz gave a brief update on WUPPDR needing a nondiscrimination policy, and that one is being worked on currently.

**8. WUPPDR Marketing Grant Update**

Brief update was provided by Chair Leah Polzien that we are still putting out new posts, and there may be a possible video upcoming.

**9. Bills**

Discussion was had regarding bills, and splitting the TV and Stand/Remote/Cable costs, and the splitting of those costs with the Village and HDC. Motion was made to contribute 1/3 of the costs of the television, stand, cables, and remotes.

Moved by Pete Hahn, seconded by Rick Campioni.

Voice vote: Ayes: Dave Geisler, Rick Campioni, Tom Dumble, Pete Hahn, Leah Polzien, Lorri Oikarinen.

Nays: None

Motion was made by Pete Hahn and seconded by Rick Campioni to pay the bills for the month.

Voice vote: Ayes: Dave Geisler, Rick Campioni, Tom Dumble, Pete Hahn, Leah Polzien, Lorri Oikarinen.

Nays: None

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**10. Adjourn**

Moved by Pete Hahn and seconded by Rick Campioni to adjourn at 7:57 PM.

Motion carried unanimously (6/0)

Respectfully submitted,

Caleb C.D. Katz  
DDA Administrator