

**CALUMET DDA MEETING AGENDA
CALUMET VILLAGE TOWNHALL
340 SIXTH STREET
CALUMET, MICHIGAN 49913
May 5, 2020 – 3:00 PM**

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Leah Polzien at 3:04 PM and Chair Leah Polzien recited pledge.

Virtual Roll Call was Taken.

Present: Peter Hahn, Dave Geisler, Lorri Oikarinen, Andrew Ranville, and Leah Polzien.

Tom Dumble arrived at 3:14PM.

Absent: Tim Bies

Vacant: One

Also Present: Manager Caleb Katz and one member of the public.

II. Acceptance of Agenda

Moved by Dave Geisler, and seconded by Lorri Oikarinen.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes— Peter Hahn, Dave Geisler, Lorri Oikarinen, Andrew Ranville, Tom Dumble and Leah Polzien.

Nays—None

Motion Carried: 6/0

III. Acceptance of Minutes

Moved by Peter Hahn and seconded by Dave Geisler.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Peter Hahn, Dave Geisler, Lorri Oikarinen, Andrew Ranville, Tom Dumble and Leah Polzien.

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 6/0

IV. Agenda

Petitions from the Public-A. No Petitions

1. Greenspace Project

Leah Polzien gave update on meeting beforehand with HDC, Planning Commission and Greenspace committee. Received a lot of feedback from those entities, and members of the committees voiced support for

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concepts. Update was given on Barsotti lot and that it may be incorporated with Greenspace plan due to the owner wishing to lease it. This still needs to be discussed with the full greenspace committee. Leah Polzien would like the DDA to decide if they wish to enter into a contract/lease with the Barsotti's. DDA discussed whether they would want to pay the sidewalk fees in exchange for the lease. Tom Dumble and Andrew Ranville voiced opinions on being cautious about adding or designing anything on the property, perhaps, fill and grading, and grass if we are only leasing for a short amount of time. Dave Geisler asked the DDA to get a contract written up for presentation to the Council to get their approval. Leah Polzien will try to get the contract from Jim Tercha the village attorney, she is hoping to have the contract by next council meeting.

2. DDA Plan Update

Leah Polzien asked Caleb Katz to give an update on the DDA plan update, Caleb Katz gave an update that we were supposed to start in May, however we have not heard from them, and Caleb Katz will be following up on how we should begin starting this plan.

3. Team Rubicon

Leah Polzien gave overview on Team Rubicon, and gave update on her phone call with Caleb Katz and Kevin Liimatta. Leah Polzien gave ideas on how we can combine different programs and matches to get work done for demolition and work on buildings. Leah Polzien updated DDA that we submitted a heritage grant for Aho and Agnitz, as well as the Rose and Thorn and M&M painting buildings for clean out, fixing, buttoning them up and stabilization. LP gave update that there is no new information or interest from parties wanting the Mihelich Slaughterhouse.

4. CDBG Update

Leah Polzien gave façade update; we have received contract from MEDC. Waiting for one property owner to sign and then it can all be submitted.

5. WUPPDR Marketing Update

Leah Polzien gave new update, we are currently putting posts out, and she is receiving a lot of great pictures of the area and we are posting them.

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6. FY 2021 Budget

Leah Polzien asked Dave Geisler for input on DDA budget, went over what issues we may face. It was voiced that we try to limiting what we spend. Also, delinquent taxes could go up which could be an issue, but most funds come from taxes, so the DDA should be fine.

7. Bills

Motion to accept bills contingent on finding out who contractor is on bill. Moved by Peter Hahn, and seconded by Dave Geisler.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes- Peter Hahn, Dave Geisler, Lorri Oikarinen, Andrew Ranville, Tom Dumble and Leah Polzien.

Motion Carried: 6/0

8. Evergreen Booths-

Leah Polzien gave update to DDA that Keary Ecklund contacted the Village regarding the booths in the Evergreen restaurant. DDA has a historical easement on them. DDA was updated that Keary Ecklund wishes to open a restaurant in Luigi's, discussion was had that they want the contents to stay in the Evergreen, and the DDA wishes to see the building remain standing. DDA wants Caleb Katz to contact Keary Ecklund to tell him to contact Julie Johnson about acquiring them, however we do have a historic preservation easement on them, and the DDA does not support the sale of the booths. DDA recommends that we send our historic easement to legal counsel for review and opinion.

9. Adjourn

Moved by Andrew Ranville and seconded by Dave Geisler to adjourn at 4:28PM

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Peter Hahn, Dave Geisler, Lorri Oikarinen, Andrew Ranville, Tom Dumble and Leah Polzien.

Nays – None

Motion carried unanimously (6/0)