

**CALUMET VILLAGE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
CALUMET VILLAGE TOWN HALL  
340 SIXTH STREET  
CALUMET, MICHIGAN 49913  
JANUARY 8, 2019**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Leah Polzien at 8:10AM.

Present: Members Leah Polzien, David Geisler, Andrew Ranville, Tom Dumble, Rick Campioni, and Peter Hahn

Absent: Lorri Oikarinen

Vacant: Two

Also Present: Administrator Joe Snow, Houghton County Commission Tom Tikkanen, WUPPDR Brad Barnett, MTU Don LaFreniere, Makeloveland.com Jerry Paffendorf and Mary Lorene Carter

**A. Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairperson Leah Polzien led the pledge of allegiance.

**II. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA**

Moved by David Geisler and seconded by Peter Hahn to accept the agenda.

Motion carried unanimously (6/0).

**III. AGENDA**

**1. Petitions from the Public**

None

**2. Minutes**

Moved by Rick Campioni and seconded by Andrew Ranville to approve the DDA minutes of December 11, 2018.

Motion carried unanimously (6/0)

**3. GIS Presentation by Jerry Paffendorf of makeloveland.com**

Jerry Paffendorf and Mary Lorene Carter are the proprietors of makeloveland.com, soon to be landgrid.com. Jerry and Mary (along with 200 volunteers) GIS mapped the City of Detroit. Jerry provided a presentation on the GIS product him and Mary prepared for the Village of Calumet. They offered to continue to provide GIS support to the Village pro-bono. The DDA suggested a steering committee be created by the Village Council to guide GIS use by the Village. Moved by David Geisler and seconded by Peter Hahn to accept Jerry and Mary's offer to provide GIS data service to the Village of Calumet pro-bono.

Motion carried unanimously (6/0)

**4. Letter of Intent, 330 Fifth LLC**

Further discussion on letter of intent for 330 Fifth LLC to donate Lots 4 & 5 of Block 20 to the DDA. Village Attorney will draft a letter of intent and then a purchase contract if both parties agree. Proposal will then be presented to the Village Council for approval.

**4. DDA Plan**

WUPPDR will provide a proposal to update DDA Plan.

**5. WUPPDR Grant**

Nothing significant to report.

**6. CDBG Façade Grant Program Opportunity**

Chairperson Leah Polzien is working with property owners to get enough commitment to be competitive for the grant. Motioned by Andrew Ranville and seconded by David Geisler to use the \$10,000 annually set aside for Façade Mini Grants, to be used at the municipality match for the CDBG Façade Grant Program if selected to receive the grant.

Voice Vote: Ayes – Leah Polzien, David Geisler, Andrew Ranville, Tom Dumble, Rick Campioni, and Peter Hahn

Nays – None

Motion carried unanimously (6/0)

**9. DDA Property Updates**

A new employee for KEDA, with construction estimating experience, is preparing a cost estimate to rehab the Curto Building. The future plans for the Mihelich Slaughter House will be discussed at the February meeting.

**10. Bills**

Motioned by David Geisler and seconded by Peter Hahn to approve the December bills

Voice Vote: Ayes – Leah Polzien, David Geisler, Andrew Ranville, Tom Dumble, Rick Campioni, and Peter Hahn

Nays – None

Motion carried unanimously (6/0)

**11. Adjourn**

Moved by Andrew Ranville and seconded by David Geisler to adjourn the meeting at 9:24 AM.

Motion carried unanimously (6/0).

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Hahn  
Secretary