

CALUMET VILLAGE DDA MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 13, 2024 – 9:00 AM
CALUMET VILLAGE TOWNHALL, 340 SIXTH STREET

Present: Chair Nikki L’Esperance; Members Rick Campioni, Pete Hahn, Nathan McParlan, JW Miller, Lorri Oikarinen, Rob Tarvis, Jason Wickstrom

Absent: Members Andrew Ranville

Also Present from the Village: Manager Megan Haselden

Present from the Public: Leah Polzien, (*Main Street Calumet*)

I. Call to Order / Roll Call / Pledge of Allegiance

L’Esperance called the meeting to order at 9:00am with roll call and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

II. Petitions from the Public (*members of the public have 5 minutes to speak*)

None.

III. Approval of Agenda

Tarvis moved, seconded by Hahn to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion Carried 8/0

IV. Review and approve meeting minutes of April 15, 2024 Meeting.

Tarvis moved, seconded by Wickstrom to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion Carried 8/0

V. Unfinished / Revolving Business

1. Updates from Village Council, Historic District Commission, Planning Commission, etc.

Haselden provided updates.

2. Main Street Calumet Report

Polzien provided updates on the MSC grant application/project for flower boxes and seats along the sidewalk of the fire site and Erkkila site. Farmer’s Market starts on June 15th.

3. Fire Site Update

No updates.

4. Greenspace Update

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Haselden and Polzien met with UPEA and Jeff Ratcliffe and reviewed the lowest bid line by line to see what can be cut as the bid came in over budget by about \$300k. Ratcliffe to request more funding for the project from MEDC; updates to follow.

5. District Property Updates

a. Listing DDA Properties

Circa and Cheap Old Homes will list the properties; updates to follow.

6. Highway 41 Signage

Billboard is up; Tarvis spoke with MI Dept. of Transportation (MDOT) for possibility of other road signage, would need the size and design to send to MDOT to see if it can be approved.

7. DDA Grants

Review of committee recommendations to fund 10 applicants for a total of \$14,900. Tarvis moved to approve the grants as presented, seconded by Wickstrom.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: Campioni, Hahn, L'Esperance, McParlan, Miller, Oikarinen, Tarvis, Wickstrom

Nays: None

Absent: Ranville

Motion Carried 8/0

8. New/Current Property Owner Brochure

Review property owner brochure for any edits, and respond with updates by June 6th. Brochure with request was also sent to the HDC and Planning Commission.

9. Community Calendar/Events Newsletter.

L'Esperance is continuing work on the idea for a quarterly mailer.

10. Strategic Planning Update (April 24th).

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No updates from Beckett & Raeder yet.

VI. New Business

1. Approval of DDA Bills/Transaction Report

Tarvis moved to approve the bills as presented, seconded by Campioni.

Roll Call Vote:

Yeas: Campioni, Hahn, L’Esperance, McParlan, Miller, Oikarinen, Tarvis, Wickstrom

Nays: None

Absent: Ranville

Motion Carried 8/0

VII. Summarize Action Items

June DDA meeting is moved to June 3rd @ 9:00am.

VIII. Comments from the Public (*members of the public have 5 minutes to speak*)

None.

IX. Adjourn

Tarvis moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:06am, seconded by Hahn.

Motion Carried 8/0

Respectfully Submitted,

Megan Haselden, Village Manager

Rick Campioni, DDA Secretary