

Village of Pentwater - Downtown Development Authority
Meeting Held at Park Place Meeting Center – 310 N. Rush Street
DDA Meeting Minutes – April 13, 2022 - Draft

Call to Order: Schumaker called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Attendance Roll Call: Barnes, Dunn, Graettinger, Haack, Hodges, MacDonald, Prescott, Ressel-Hodan, Schumaker.

Absent: Arvai, Henley.

Also present: Village Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Siok; Village Clerk/Treasurer. Listerman.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Ressel-Hodan, second by Graettinger to approve the agenda as amended, (moving Truth in Taxation to the top of the agenda and adding 9 c. Updating DDA logo. Voice vote: Ayes: 9; Opposed: 0. Absent: Arvai, Henley. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes from February 9, 2022:

Motion by Dunn; second by Graettinger to approve the February 9, 2022 Minutes as presented. Voice vote: Ayes: 9; Opposed: 0. Absent: Arvai, Henley. Motion carried.

Public Comments on Agenda: None.

Comments from Chair: Schumaker welcomed Jilly Barnes as newest member to the DDA and thanked Paul MacDonald and Lee for taking care of the trees.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

a. Financial Report: Schumaker shared Financial Reports and Check Disbursements.

Motion by Dunn: second by Graettinger to approve check disbursements as submitted.

Roll Call Vote: Dunn, yes; Graettinger, yes; Barnes, yes; Haack, yes; Hodges, yes; MacDonald, yes; Prescott, yes; Ressel-Hodan, yes; Schumaker, yes. Absent: Arvai, Henley. Motion carried.

Motion by Barnes: second by Graettinger to approve the Financial Reports as submitted.

Roll Call Vote: Barnes, yes; Graettinger, yes; Dunn, yes; Haack, yes; Hodges, yes; MacDonald, yes; Prescott, yes; Ressel-Hodan, yes; Schumaker, yes. Absent: Arvai, Henley. Motion carried.

b. Christmas in the Village: Schumaker discussed a Merchant Team Committee and starting to work on possible digital payments. Jilly's added they will be meeting on Wednesday.

c. Sculpture Walk: Schumaker said about 88 artist applications have been submitted for the scheduled ticketed event to be held from June 1 to October 15. Discussion followed.

d. New Year's in the Village: Hodges talked about the past event held with class 2 fireworks and plans for doing the same. Discussion followed.

Unfinished Business

a. Truth in Taxation Presentation: (Zoom call came in just before the end of meeting) Oceana County Equalization Director, Ed VanderVries, explained the process of DDA tax increment financing. He said that he will contact Listerman to follow up with answers to questions from the board before the end of the month. Schumaker asked to be included.

b. Retirement Employment: Ressel-Hodan explained process. Schumaker stated DDA was providing a service to the businesses. Discussion followed.

c. Sound System on Village Green: Hodges said he had no new information at this time.

New Business

a. Letter of Support for Pentwater Hart Trail: Ressel-Hodan first gave an update about Bike Share, saying that she has been looking for a GPS System to track the bikes and a commercial pump. She said the new tires and baskets that are needed are within budget. Discussion followed.

A letter of support for the Pentwater Hart Trail was presented and discussed.

Motion by Haack; second by Barnes to approve sending a letter of support from the DDA. Voice vote: Ayes: 9; Opposed: 0. Absent: Arvai, Henley. Motion carried.

b. Future Project Committee: Schumaker said that she will meet with Ressel-Hodan and Haack on Wednesday, April 27 at 11 AM during Park Place open hours.

c. Updating DDA logo: Schumaker discussed updating the DDA logo.

Motion by Ressel-Hodan: second by Graettinger to approve spending up to \$350.00 to create a DDA logo keeping with the theme Discover Pentwater. Discussion followed.

Roll Call Vote: Barnes, yes; Graettinger, yes; Dunn, yes; Haack, yes; Hodges, yes; MacDonald, yes; Prescott, yes; Ressel-Hodan, yes; Schumaker, yes. Absent: Arvai, Henley. Motion carried.

Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 11:46 AM by Schumaker.

Next Regular DDA Meeting scheduled June 8, 2022; 10:00 AM; Park Place Meeting Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Siok, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer

Date