



December 14, 2021
MINUTES

A meeting of the Downtown Development Authority was held Wednesday, December 14, 2021, via zoom.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Brian Rzeppa, Vice Chair.

Members Present: Rina Belanger, Brian Rzeppa, Steven Rzeppa, Scott Cabauatan, Mark Nestor, David Patz, Carrie Hancock

Members Absent: Jim Schropp, Laurie Dixon, Katie Mans, Camille Meyer

Others Present: John Laub, Wendy Pate

Approval of Minutes: moved by S. Rzeppa, support Cabauatan to approve minutes 11/30/21 as presented

Motion carried

Correspondence: None

Old Business

- a. 2022 Proposed Regular Meeting Schedule – moved by S. Rzeppa, supported by Cabauatan to approve the 2022 DDA regular meeting schedule and post it to the website

Motion carried

- b. DDA area expansion – moved by S. Rzeppa, supported by B. Rzeppa to pursue expansion of the DDA with the inclusion of West Rd. from Fort St. to Woodhaven city limits and W. Jefferson north and south ending at city limits at either end; and to ask DDA liaison to prepare specifications of expansion for board review.

Motion carried

New Business

Fiscal Year 2021 Annual Report on Status of TIF Plan – report was presented detailing revenue and expenditure of the past year.

Moved by Cabauatan, supported by B. Rzeppa to receive and place on file and forward the report to State of Michigan

Motion carried

DDA Orientation Slideshow – Mr. Laub provided copy to board members for review in advance of presentation by Becket and Rader at the January 6th meeting.

Mural proposal for RR overpass on W. Jefferson – Councilperson Pate presented her proposal and reviewed her conversations with RR and muralist regarding plan and execution for a mural welcoming visitors to City of Trenton with a target completion date of summer 2022.

Moved by Patz, supported by Cabauatan to authorize and recommend City Council approve up to \$40,000 in DDA funds to be used for painting a mural at the Railroad bridge over West Jefferson. This money to be used for the mural, lodging for the artist, and security for the mural.

Motion carried

Public Comment

none

Announcements

Mr. Laub informed board of a downtown "Winterfest" being planned for February 4-5 by various downtown businesses. John McNally owns the property on the corner of West Rd. and West Jefferson and will attend the January 6th DDA meeting with details and sponsor package for board review.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50p.m.

Next Meetings: January 6, 2022 at City Hall