DDA Meeting 8/7/2014 at the Byron Municipal Building

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm by Chairperson Vandemark

Roll Call – Present: Vandemark, Dickinson, Miller, Ayott, Murphy, Bowers. Absent: Musall, Rauch, Murphy-Alderman. Also in attendance Shirley Riley and Phil Hathaway and audience member Toni Prestonise.

Miller moved, Dickinson seconded to approve agenda. All Ayes – 3 absent. Carried.

Murphy moved, Dickinson seconded to approve the minutes of 7/10/14 meeting. All Ayes -3 absent. Carried

<u>Communications</u> – Shirley updated the DDA on the clerk position for the Village. The issue will be addressed at the next Council meeting on Aug. 11. Ads are in the paper for the Village Treasurer position, which is now also vacant since Shirley Riley has resigned.

<u>Financial Status</u> – New bank balance: \$20,322.30. Dickinson moved, Bowers seconded to pay bills as presented (ck #s 1005 – 1014) and approve Treasurer Report as presented, pending audit. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Vandemark, Miller, Dickinson, Ayotte, Murphy, and Bowers. Nayes: None. 3 absent.

Dickinson moved, Murphy seconded to reimburse Beverly Miller \$47.32 for expenses from Charrettes (receipts submitted for envelopes, waters, and cookies). Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Vandemark, Miller, Dickinson, Ayotte, Murphy, and Bowers. Nayes: None. 3 absent

<u>Downtown Development Plan/Tax Increment Plan Review of Draft</u> – Phil reviewed the updated Development/TIF Draft. There was discussion about some verbage was to be updated. Ayotte moved, Miller seconded to accept the Development Plan/TIF plan draft with the discussed revisions to be presented to the Village Council at their 8/11/14 meeting. All Ayes – 3 absent. Carried

Entertainment Tent Update – The profit from the July 12 'Entertainment Tent' was \$372.79 after all expenses. Suggestions were made to have more lighting in bathrooms if we have the event again and to ask the police department to not be so visible; also maybe have a game or activity; and to see if the volume could be less. Overall, it was a successful event since there was a profit, even if a small one, and there were no incidents.

<u>Other fundraiser ideas</u> - There was discussion to maybe host a Road Rally fundraiser in the fall. The idea was tabled for another meeting.

<u>Streetscape Rendering</u> – The Streetscape Rendering prepared by Rowe Professional Services was presented. Some revisions were discussed and Phil will return the revision notes to Rowe for a new copy to be presented, along with the River plan.

<u>Property Acquisition Strategies</u> – There was general discussion about the Red Mill/Byron Mfg, whose owner has indicated that he is willing to sell the building. The owner has offered a verbal First Right of Refusal to the Village and/or DDA. Rob indicated he would try to contact the owner of the building for a tour of the building to know how it looks before we move any further. Also, the land between the dam and the Mill Race is also listed for sale for about \$35,000.

Status of Revion V Planning & Traffic Count Analysis – It is believed that the traffic count hasn't been done yet for the Village limits, although one had been done outside of the Village recently. It was recommended that the DDA request the Village to do another traffic count and share information with the DDA. Beverly is to attend the 8/11 Council meeting and will request on behalf of the DDA.

<u>Public and Board Member Comments</u> - None.

Miller moved, Dickinson seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:05PM

NEXT DDA MEETING THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 4 at 6PM.

Beverly Miller – interim Recording Secretary

Date

Rob Vandemark - chairman