

DDA Meeting Minutes
Byron Municipal Building
July 21, 2016

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Chairperson Vandemark

Roll Call – Present: Vandemark, Miller, Bowers, Brunell and Murphy.
Absent: Rauch, Ayotte, Dickinson and Murphy-Alderman.

Agenda Approval: Motion by Brunell to approve agenda and seconded by Bowers. Voice Vote: All Ayes. No Nays, 4 absent; passed.

Minutes Approval: Miller motioned to approve minutes from June 16, 2016 meeting, Brunell seconded. Voice Vote: All Ayes. No Nays, 4 absent; passed.

Communications: None

Financial Status: Miller reported DDA starting balance of \$21,942.13 and ending balance of \$ 22,487.13; accept report pending audit. Miller explained Regatta bringing in \$240.00 and went over bills that were approved last month.

Beckett & Raeder Presentation: Vandemark introduced John I. from Beckett & Raeder and he also explained map problem. John I. explained the DDA presentation of what they can do and how to create a strategic vision. He also explained purpose, powers, acquire, sell, lease and rent. The presentation also contained how to prepare tax increment and the 12 components for revitalization. A discussion on the presentation took place and Vandemark asked for a recommended next step. John I. replied carve out a meeting and open your development plan and select 2 or 3 project plans that are most obtainable and get TIF map finished.

TIF Map Status/DDA Boundary: Vandemark explained that staying with Rowe and worked with Pickett on the property tax ID numbers. He also explained property by school and making sure legal description matched. Researching would cost approximately \$500.00 for TIF map and DDA boundary. Miller motioned to have Rowe match up description of development zone and boundaries with TIF ordinance. Not to exceed \$500.00; seconded by Brunell. Roll Call: All Ayes. No Nays, 4 Absent; Carried.

Safe Routes to School: Vandemark explained what has been done and the possible amounts available. He informed of the meeting next Thursday at 10 am (July 28, 2016) and H. Miller will be there. Possible that Brunell will attend.

Board Member Positions: Vandemark said that Rauch sent email and was stepping down. He also explained Dickinson was ok with becoming Vice-Chairman. Brunell motioned to nominate Dickinson for Vice-Chairman which ends November 2017; Bowers seconded. Voice Vote: All Ayes. No Nays, 4 absent; passed. Vandemark said we now have a seat to fill and would like to have a resident. Brunell and Miller will ask a couple of residents.

Flags-ELR sale of flags; New American Flags for Village: Vandemark explained that the VFW will donate half back to DDA for the American Flags. EJR flags should be back next week and should have picture showing him signing flags. We will sell at Blackmore Rowe and possible Madadors. Questions were

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asked about when the American Flags come down and when will EJR flags go up. T. Prestonise suggested a checkered flag to enhance the EJR flags.

River Regatta Recap; Other Upcoming Fundraising Ideas: Vandemark said that the regatta went over well and now we know how to add to it. He said it was a lot of fun. Vandemark talked about not doing the entertainment tent. T. Prestonise said contact the Barons that they do this kind of thing all of the time. Vandemark said that we were still doing breakfast September 17, 2016 at the Mason's. More discussion on other ideas and that help was needed.

2016 Fundraiser update – July 9th River Regatta; September Entertainment Tent: Vandemark talked about the Regatta on face book and only received 3 comments. He also sent out several emails. Dickinson said the Keepers of the Shiawassee are the ones who have done a Regatta in the past. Miller found some rules and regulations. More discussion took place on subject including advertising and name. Possible name: Byron River Regatta (build and race your own cardboard boat). Vandemark said Fire Department owns ducks but, Masons own license and they would donate money to DDA.

Canoe Launch Funds-Bollard and Bench: Vandemark said he hasn't purchased them as yet.

Wayfinding Signs Committee Report: Vandemark said that he still needs to meet with Dickinson.

Any Other Business: None

Public and Board Member Comments: Vandemark thanked Justin for coming. Miller said looks like we are on our way and Brunell suggested vision boards for projects. Vandemark will email for vision plan meeting.

Meeting adjournment: At 7:50 pm Miller motioned for adjournment and Brunell seconded. Voice Vote: All Ayes. No Nays, 4 absent; passed.



Marsha Reed

8/18/16

Date



Rob Vandemark