DDA and Planning Commission Meeting Minutes

Byron Municipal Building

July 18, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Chairperson Vandemark.

Roll Call: Present: Amsterburg, Baker Murph (6:12 p.m.), Miller, Bailey, Brittain, and Vandemark. Absent: Stevens, Russell, Dickinson. Clint from Gormley Law arrived at 6:12 p.m.

Total: 5 members present and 3 absent (Stevens, Russell, Dickinson)

Agenda Approval: Amsterburg motioned to approve the agenda for July 13, 2024. Seconded by Miller. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes Approved: Miller motioned to approved minutes from June 20, 2024. Seconded by Bailey. The motion passed unanimously.

Communications: Thanks to all for their efforts on the Bicentennial, which ran well.

Financial Status Report/Bill Pay: Miller reported that as of July 11, 2024, the balance is \$83,744.62 per bank statement and village financial records. Bills included Village wages \$265.00 (Jan./Feb. Clerk, Treasurer, and DDA Recording Secretary.) Bill from Gromley of \$52.97 for RFP and Master Plan was tabled. Lion Bear bills of \$843.75 and \$206.25 were tabled, with Miller emailing Ashley at Lion Bear for a breakdown of the bills. Vandemark presented River Regatta invoices of \$300 (prizes), \$50 (trophies), and \$65 (raffle), totaling \$415 payable to Vandemark.

Motion to pay made by Amsterburg, seconded by Baker-Murph. The motion passed unanimously.

RRC Update and Village Website: Vandemark said that the Masterplan is being updated, with work to be done.

Pocket Park / River Walk: Work to be done includes benches, awnings, shrubs, air-conditioned cover, fencing in the back, and paint for a mural. Baker-Murph has reached out to Home Depot for \$10K in product through their Foundation. Work may be done in the fall or spring of 2025, including \$7K (Lynch Tree, taking down a tree), \$32K (Royalty, 20x30 deck, or \$12K for 15x20 deck), \$10K (worth \$20K, Home Depot, concrete sidewalks and electrical, \$7K, mural. Total is \$100K.

Discussion held on contributions through Patronicity grant. Riverwalk on the school side of the river could include \$25K grant from Saginaw Wind, and \$75K grant from Michta for MSHOA deck and walkway.

Events /Fundraising: \$1,285 was netted from the Regatta (5 boats/\$125 each,) \$1,650 net from Duck Race tickets, \$40 (donations), \$500 donation from Golf outing.

Miller made a motion to pay the Fire Department \$300. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.

Planning Commission: Discussion held on updates to the Master plan. A proposal will be written, with a public hearing set to be adopted.

Burns Township is progressing with the final plan for the new building. The council will need to vote on rezoning or special use of property.

Other: Miller presented that the Masons have requested DDA to sponsor a hole (\$100) for their July 27 golf tournament, raising funds for scholarships. No decision was made.

Bibbee presented plans for Council to purchase an electric sign to be installed in front of the Village Municipal building, asking DDA to contribute. No decision was made.

Bibbee presented to Council that they are asking for plans for DDA to pay for sidewalks, C2ae billing. DDA is waiting for a plan amendment to be in the Development Plan.

Bibbee discussed updates on the interview progress to hire a Village treasurer.

Brittain discussed plans for a Village boat launch. `

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn was made by Miller, seconded by Amsterburg. The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

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Chairperson

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