

Village of Bellaire
Downtown Development Authority

Minutes

Wednesday, January 26, 2022

I. Call to Order:

Chairperson D. Hoyt called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

II. Pledge of Allegiance:

III. Attendance:

Members Present: Dan Bennett, Dave Gajda, Don Hoyt, Doreen McGuire, Cindi Place, Don Seman, Taylor Sutherland

Members Absent: Mark Irwin, Tracy Lareau

Public Present: Brenda Fink

IV. Consent Agenda:

Motion by D. Seman to approve the consent agenda. Second D.Gajda. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

V. Public Comment on Agenda Items:

None

VI. Unfinished Business:

Live Streaming Meetings

Today's meeting was available on Zoom. Thank you to C. Place for her assistance in making this available.

Buy Local Update

The group met on January 27, 2022 and set their event calendar for the upcoming year. March 12th the Art is Sweet event will take place. This event will include a mini art show along with a bake-off. More event details will be available next month. April will be Flip Flops and Flamingos, October is Art and Music and November will be the Holiday Open House. The Buy Local Group also expressed their appreciation for the continued support from the DDA.

Village Update

Mechanical work should begin today on the new downtown restrooms. The third patrol officer is now on duty. Coming to the Bellaire area will be a farm store located on the south end of town. To the west a new 20-30 housing development will be built. Both of these developments have expressed an interest in tying into the Village water and sewer. The ball fields at Craven Park will be available this spring.

Public Wifi

No update at this time. Still waiting on a response from Aspen Wireless.

Map

D. McGuire led the discussion which centered around the next steps in creating a draft of the downtown map. The Board decided on the following: the map will contain the DDA area only, the map content will be listed in a mall style format, arrows to designate the local attractions (Glacial Hills, Richardi Park, Craven Park, downtown boat launch, and walking path). The map will not contain any QR codes and will list that this project is funded by the Bellaire DDA.

D. McGuire will reach out to the Bellaire Chamber to check on what they will be placing at the new downtown restrooms. Afterwards, she will work with R. Krino regarding the Board recommendations.

DDA Parking Committee

D. Hoyt reviewed the previous information that had been gathered and will now reach out to T. Sutherland and D. Bennett to schedule a meeting.

VII. New Business:

None

VIII. Miscellaneous Business of the Authority Board:

The year long meeting schedule was provided. This is M. Irwin's last meeting on the DDA Board. It was proposed that we look at some form of recognition to honor Mark for his many years of service on the Board. D. Hoyt will explore options and the Board will voluntarily donate towards the gift. The tables and chairs in the SBC parking lot are still outside and wondering if we should put them away or possibly store them inside the containers. D. Hoyt will speak with J. Short regarding the tables and chairs.

IX. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

The Buy Local Group volunteered to assist in the moving of the tables and chairs too.

X. Adjourn:

Motion by D. Seman. Second by D. Gajda to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned by Chair D. Hoyt at 9:47 am.

Meeting minutes compiled by D. McGuire