

**Village of Bellaire
Downtown Development Authority
Special Meeting
Minutes
Tuesday, June 8, 2021**

I. Call to Order:

Secretary D. Hoyt called the meeting to order at 8:32 am

II. Attendance:

Members Present: Dan Bennett, Dave Gajda, Don Hoyt, Don Seman, Tracy Lareau, Mark Irwin, Doreen McGuire

Members Absent: None

Public Present: Maggie Antcliff, Taylor Sutherland, Sue Palmisano, Christy Wilson, Trish Fox, Tani Carl, Brenda Fink, Shelly Dayton

III. Consent Agenda:

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

IV. Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Members of the Buy Local Group spoke in support of the DDA and are hopeful for a communicative and strong working relationship. Two of the members of the Buy Local Group have expressed interest in the vacant DDA Board seats. D. Bennett suggested that the Buy Local Group and the DDA meet with the Village Attorney. This will be discussed at the next DDA meeting.

V. Unfinished Business:

None

VI. New Business:

Board Officer - Chairperson and Vice Chairperson

Each board member was given the opportunity to express an interest in the two vacant officer positions.

A motion by D. Seman to appoint Don Hoyt as the acting chairperson and Tracy Lareau as acting vice chairperson until the fiscal year end February 2022. Second D. Gajda. Discussion followed. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

Board Member Vacancies - Posting of the DDA Board positions will be placed on social media, Antrim Review, Village of Bellaire Office. Motion by D. Seman to approve the posting of the DDA Board vacancies with a application deadline of Wednesday, June 23, 2021. Interviews to be conducted on Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at the next scheduled DDA Board meeting. Second by D. Gajda. Discussion followed. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

VII. Miscellaneous Business:

Questions/comments by D. Bennett on behalf of the Bellaire Village Council.

1. Who has paid for the flowers and pots? The DDA provided the money for the flowers. The DPW is watering the flowers.
2. The DDA was asked about the umbrellas that had been placed out with the outdoor tables. After discussion T. Lareau offered to look at them and dispose of those that are broken or beyond repair.
3. The downtown public restroom is moving forward. Property has been surveyed, bids going out to local companies.
4. The Village of Bellaire and Antrim County will be meeting to discuss WiFi.

The DDA bank account has to be updated to remove L. Wenzel and add D. Gajda. Motion by M. Irwin to remove L. Wenzel and add D. Gajda as a signer on the DDA bank account. Second D. Seman. Motion approved by unanimous vote.

VIII. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

Buy Local Group are appreciative for the service of the DDA members and look forward to working together.

IX. Adjourned:

Meeting was adjourned by chair D. Hoyt at 9:20 am.

Meeting minutes compiled by Doreen Mc Guire