

Munising Downtown Development Authority
Minutes of Meeting
March 18, 2020

Members Present: Rod DesJardins via phone at 8:02 a.m., Pat Gariepy, Travis Cross, Rick Bowerman, Debbie Nedeau, Jackie Reynolds, Dale Immel, Tom Hall

Members Absent: Cori-Ann Cearley

Others Present: Kathy Reynolds, Pat Sanderson, Jaymie Depew, Devin Olson

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Dale at 8:00 a.m.

Approval of Agenda: Rick made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, Pat supported. **The motion passed.**

Public Comment: None

Approval of Meeting Minutes for February 12, 2020: Rick made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Debbie supported. **The motion passed.**

Approval of Bills for Payment:

a. HTC	Phone Land Line	\$40.03
b. Munising News	Ad: Polar Plunge \$39.00 Ad: Michigan Ice Fest \$39.00 Ads: Façade Grants \$83.50	\$161.50
c. Kathy Reynolds	Cell Phone Data Pkg.	\$50.00
d. GMBPCD	Microsoft Office (50/50 w/Chamber)	\$50.00
e. GMBPCD	David Walther Contracting (50/50)	\$1,919.98
f. Putvin Drug Store	Snow Removal-Art in the Alley	\$200.00
g. Peoples State Bank	Bond Interest	\$1,170.40
h. GMBPCD	4 th Qtr. Contribution (April payment)	\$22,971.50
i. Kathy Reynolds	Cell Phone Data Pkg. (April payment)	\$50.00

Travis made a motion to pay the bills contingent on Pat Sanderson checking the Munising News ad for the polar plunge, Pat supported. **The motion passed.**

Budget:

a. February financials: The board received the February financials for review. No action was needed or taken.

Old Business:

a. Event Funding Request-Pictured Rocks Days: The GMBPCD request was an error on the agenda as the request was supported and paid for in February.

New Business:

a. Coronavirus & Economic Impact: The board briefly discussed preventative measures currently taken by the community to help combat the spread of the Coronavirus.

b. Façade Grants (2): The board reviewed two new façade applications from Bill Ramsey for the Dogpatch and Munising Hospitality, formerly 387 Restaurant. Bill requested up to \$2,500 for the south, north and east sides of the Dogpatch building and up to \$2,500 for the east, north and west sides of the old 387 Restaurant building. Rod made a motion to approve Bill's façade grant requests of up to \$2,500 for the south, north and east

sides of the Dogpatch building and up to \$2,500 for the east, north and west sides of the old 387 Restaurant building contingent upon the new establishment's opening, Pat supported. **The motion passed.**

c. Corktown and Other Murals: Kathy has been working with Mike Hendrickson who's interested in having a historic mural of the Prohibition on the back of the Corktown building facing Family Dollar. Kathy requested a maximum of 5,000 from façade monies to help with the project if needed. Debbie made a motion to support Kathy's request of a maximum of \$5,000 to help fund the mural project on Corktown, Jackie supported. **The motion passed.**

d. Art in the Alley Update: Kathy discussed a grant she applied for that would fund an additional Art in the Alley project. The project's theme would focus on maritime and lighthouse history. Kathy will work with Shipwreck Tours on the project.

Executive Director's Update/Partnership Update: Kathy and Jaymie will be working remotely and Pat will be in and out of the office until April 6. Although the office doors will be locked, staff will check voicemails and emails throughout this time. Kathy said the Chamber Annual Dinner that was scheduled for Tuesday, May 5th at the Moose Lodge as been postponed until further notice.

City Manager's Report: Devin discussed the upcoming M-28 project. Bids were received and are under review by the state.

Round Table Discussion: Rod discussed the latest meeting regarding the old firehall.

Adjournment: Pat made a motion to adjourn at 8:16 a.m., Rick supported. **The motion passed.**

Next meeting: April 15, 2020