

DDA MINUTES

Regular Meeting

September 15, 2014

7:00 pm

Tuscarora Township Hall

Call to order by Chairwoman Cindy Lou Poquette at 6:59 pm

Roll call:

Present: Dan Nivelt, Diana Mallory, Cindy Poquette, Mike Ridley, Brett Lindgren, Mike Saker and Sheree Lincoln

Absent: Scott Lange, Wes Allen

Approval of today's Agenda: Amendment: Under NEW BUSINESS, we will add a resignation. Motion to approve was made by Dan Nivelt, supported by Mike Ridley, all in favor.

Approval of the August 18th 2014 Minutes: Amendment: Sarah Freidrickson was a runner up as a DDA member. Motion to approve made by Diana Mallory and supported by Mike Saker, all in favor.

Financials for August 2014: Motion made to approve by Brett Lindgren and seconded by Dan Nivelt.

Checking account 8/29/2014 ending balance is	\$13068.86
IMMA savings account 8/29/2014 ending balance is	\$267,050.29
Total D.D.A. available funds equal	\$280,119.15

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Update on the Pathway Project (and lighting): Benches to be installed on Thursday 9/18, and asphalt will be fixed to eliminate water pooling in certain areas. At 9:30 on Tuesday 9/16 Dave Smith from Halophane and John Smit the ILHS representative will meet to discuss lighting down the hill from the school. They would like 7 lights installed, and the DDA only OK'd 3 to be installed. Cindy advised they will need to attend one of our meetings to discuss and make a decision.

Update on the Streetscape: A phone teleconference was had last Friday with Alex Nicholai(MDOT), Brian Boles, Dan Nivelt and Kathy Bunker(CCRC) and it was advised that we DO NOT have to have a study done to implement reverse angle parking. Start date is set for the end of September 2015. This project will be done in the right of way. Nobody's private property will be infringed upon for this project. Benches and trash/recycle receptacles and trees were discussed being implemented which are part of the streetscape. Cindy will get pricing to Dan Nivelt Tuscarora Township is responsible at this

time for the maintenance of the receptacles. They advised to have these placed at the bump outs. The schedule of meetings was discussed. The letting meeting is scheduled for August 7, 2015. Kathy Bunker will have the information ready for the next meeting which is scheduled for the 27th. Cindy advised if she needed any assistance that she is available and has experience in this subject.

Sally Kragel from the Woman's Club would like to also contribute in some way for the plantings and displays every year for the streetscape. Her cell # is 810-599-3598.

Best Practices Meeting was successful. Dawn Bodnar Sally Snyder and Cindy were in attendance with about 25 others and discussed all of the projects and changes being implemented in the Indian River area. Sheree Lincoln will attend the East Tawas Conference. She did provide a receipt to Cindy.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mike Saker Motioned to appoint Scott Lange as Treasurer of the DDA and Dan Nivelt was in support and all in favor. Scott Lange has been appointed as Treasurer of the DDA.

Dan Nivelt wants to implement a Business Community Survey. He will develop a questionnaire to be reviewed by the DDA. Brett, Dan and Cindy will meet next Tuesday night to develop a rough survey, send it out to be reviewed by Wednesday and take feedback and refine the survey if needed. Teams of two will be formed to disburse the survey and field questions.

Discussion was started regarding the possibility of making Lake Street (Post Office) a one-way street. TTPD and CCRC are in favor. Cindy thinks it is a good idea. The thought is if it was approved to do this during the streetscape project. Dan and Cindy will find out the steps from the CCRC for requesting this action and will report back to us at the next DDA meeting.

Wes Allen has resigned at 6:56 am this morning as a DDA Member.

Dan Nivelt motioned to recommend Sarah Freidrickson to the Township Board to be a member of the DDA Board if she is still interested in serving. Diana Mallory seconded. All are in favor.

Public Comment: Many Complaints **YET AGAIN** about why were are implementing reverse angle parking, and questions revolving around a schedule for the construction and costs involved in the project. All of these concerns have been addressed in the past year at all the DDA meetings and open forums, but once again the board obliged and addressed all concerns voiced. The public was advised by Chairwoman Cindy Poquette that nobody's property would be infringed upon for this Streetscape Project.

Mike Vigneau Sr. feels that a turn lane would be more effective than reverse angle parking.

Jim Burke offered his assistance as part of the Beautification of Indian River with the painted benches and the maintenance of such.

Motion to adjourn: Mike Saker **motioned** to adjourn at 8:14 p.m. and Dan Nivelt seconded. All in favor.

Next meeting: Monday October 20, 2014 at 7:00pm