

DDA Regular Meeting Minutes: July 18, 2016

Called to Order at 7:02 pm

Roll Call:

Present: Dawn Bodnar, Mike Saker, Dan Nivelt, Mike Ridley, Darren Vizina, John Breitbarth

Absent: Kelly Ashford, Sheree Lincoln, Scott Lange

Motion to Approve Agenda: Dawn, Support: John

Motion to Approve Special Meeting (July 6) Minutes: Mike Saker, Support: Dawn

Motion to Approve Regular June Meeting Minutes: Mike Ridley, Support: John

Motion to Accept Treasurers Report: Dawn, Support: Mike Saker

Streetscape Update: Communication from Alex Nikolaff at MDOT. 2017 money is overcommitted. Out of \$17 million allocated for 2018 there is \$5 million left. It appears the earliest we could potentially expect to be considered for the grant is 2018; with a construction date of 2019-20.

Guest Brent Shank, Cheboygan County Road Commission: Reports that the Road Commission will be changing the north end of town, removing about three feet of curbing to allow for the center line to placed back where it was. It will allow for five parallel parking spots and the ADA access ramp will be removed. They will not accept any plans from Gourdie-Fraser without a third party review (which would be billable to the DDA).

Discussion of changing focus of streetscape to only build new sidewalks, add lighting and bury utilities. This would leave curbing, gutters, storm drains and asphalt paving, the responsibility of the Road Commission.

Motion to issue RFP to engineering firms for design of new sidewalks, lighting fixtures and buried utilities: Dawn, Support: John.

Discussion of Signage: DeVoe Beach and Veterans Pier have become attractions. Proposing that DDA may participate in funding new directional signs to the Beach. Four needed, three should be responsibility of Parks Commission. Will get pricing and pass info along to Parks Commission for their consideration.

August Twp. Board Meeting needs to appoint two new members. Terms expiring are Mike Saker and Dan Nivelt. Both have volunteered to serve another term.

Reported that Scott Lange will continue to do books for the DDA, but cannot attend meetings. Will call Scott and clarify intentions and report back to DDA.

Public Comment: No

Motion to Adjourn (7:38): Dawn, Support: Mike Ridley

Next Meeting August 15, 7:00 p.m