

City of Iron Mountain

Downtown Development Authority

Monday, October 10th, 2022

Regular Meeting

12:00pm

I. Meeting called to order 12:02pm Pontbriand, Webb, Hendrickson, Degroot, Blomquist, Stanchina, Williamsen

II. Approval of Agenda Blomquist Motions, Degroot Seconds, All in Favor

III. Consent Agenda Items

a. Regular Meeting Minutes **Degroot Motions, Blomquist Seconds, All in Favor**

i. 9/12/22

b. Committee Reports

i. Events Committee: 9/14/22

ii. Business Development Committee: 9/29/22

iii. Beautification Committee: 9/6/22

IV. New Business

a. Treasurer's Report **N/A Matzke unable to make meeting**

b. The Toro Company/Equipment and Irrigation Donation

Grant What did we win? Cash, Tractor, Lawn Mower?

Michigan Bridge Builders Grant **Won \$500 Bridge Builders**

Grant. Art must be installed by June 30th 2023

V. Old Business

a. Public Art Sky Installation Update **Wire and Bistro Lights are being hung now. FNB and Sandstone lights are completed. Franklin Square in works, Ludington will be next. Working out the kinks on the smaller scaled projects before working over Ludington.**

b. Pedestrian Alleyway Project **On Hold - Discussion on moving forward with a plan soon to start working on fundraising. Blomquist to pull old drawings and plans. Talk to have the Beautification Committee take over the planning and fundraising. Discuss timeline plans with businesses that would be affected in the construction process.**

c. Stage Updates **Swanson will be back to fix the "honeycomb" to the center front and Hughitt side of the stage. Will have to acid wash, or cover the repair as the finish will not match the existing product.**

VI. Program Director Report

- a. DDA Stage Banners and hanging mechanism - **We need to look into a better hanging mechanism for the stage banners. Also request that DPW bring banners directly back to DDA office when removed. Some banners have gone missing. Get Vented Banners to help with Wind Strain on poles. Tinti mentioned to purchase “Stainless Bandits” as a permanent solution for the poles**
- b. Beautification Fundraisers - **We will be hosting a make and take ornament event in December using dried flowers from our downtown gardens. We are also collaborating with Erickson Jewelers. We will have a blue quartzite bracelet with a DDA charm. For every bracelet sold, beautification will get a \$5.00 kick back.**
- c. Music Tree - **Foregoing to grant. Sold business to Ms. Deals. DDA rescinds grant to Music Tree. Hendrickson Motions, Degroot Seconds, All in Favor.**
- d. Event Coordinator Six Month Review - **Pontbriand mentioned to board members to fill out Williamsen’s 6 month review form for next meeting.**
- e. Facade Grants and Downtown Assistance Program Grants **Jesse Land and Business Development committee will be working on making adjustments to the application for the 2023 period.**

VII. Event Coordinator Update

- a. Oktoberfest Updates - **Festival went well. Almost ran out of beer, sold 174 steins at the festival. Best festival turnout for the 2022 year. Look to hire and pay an officer to attend the second portion of events.**
- b. Italian Fest Numbers - **All Italian Fest numbers are back and finalized for 2022 festival.**
- c. Celebrations Tent - **Need a new company. Many problems at OKtoberfest. Celebrations did not charge us for the festival. Williamsen reached out to Stenberg to get a quote on tent prices for 2023**
- d. Pumpkin Walk - **Going well. Looking for more participants and sound**
- E. Tinseltown - **No Nahs to bring tinseltown back. Bring the plans to the Events Committee.**

VIII. Public Comment N/A

IX. Member Privilege Pontbriand mentions all board members should review the Bylaws, be part of committees and determine if they still want to be board members or if they would like to step down. Discussion for the next meeting to adjust bylaws if it is needed.

Adjournment - Next meeting: Monday, November 14th adjourned 1:26pm