

**VILLAGE OF LEXINGTON  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING  
Village of Lexington – 7227 Huron Ave., Lexington, MI  
November 13, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chairperson McGovern called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

**ROLL CALL:** by Vicki Scott

**PRESENT:** Adams, Bender, Bales, Westbrook, McGovern, Zysk, Diener

**ABSENT:** Drouillard, Kaatz

**OTHERS PRESENT:** D. Roehl, K. DeCoster

**ATTENDANCE:** Motion by Bender, seconded by Bales, to excuse Drouillard.

All Ayes

Motion carried

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

**MOTION** by Bender, seconded by Adams, to approve the agenda as presented.

All Ayes

Motion Carried

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**MOTION** by Bales, seconded by Bender, to approve the October 16, 2024 minutes as presented.

All Ayes

Motion Carried

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**REVIEW OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION:** - Bales explained the financial reports and answered questions.

**MOTION** by Bender, seconded by Adams, to approve the financials as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Bender, Adams, Zysk, Diener, Bales, Westbrook, McGovern

Nays: None

Motion Carried

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. **Christmas Decorations** – McGovern explained we will be fluffing the wreaths tonight. We will be using the warm white lights this year. Mickey Bender explained the Christmas Tree was donated again this year. McGovern stated we approved funds last meeting for the decorations. Tracy Zysk will decorate the stage area as was done last year. Croswell Greenhouse will have the pots ready by November 22, 2024.
2. **Village Green Lease Status & Next Steps** – McGovern explained we signed a 3-year lease as of November 1, 2024. McGovern stated the committee did meet and tossed around lots of ideas for this property. Discussion followed on having a Santa mailbox for kid's letters to Santa.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Murals** – McGovern explained murals have become a hot topic. We currently have a business wanting to put a mural up. Planning Commission has discussed this issue as well. Lori Fisher stated this issue was discussed at the MDA Conference this year. The City of Farmington put together a public art blueprint of what their city would like to see. Our current ordinance states you can do it for blighted property or historical property. The Planning Commission is looking at this ordinance and possibly coming up with proper guidelines. Discussion followed.
2. **Façade Grant (Matt McDonald – 5520 Main St.)** – McGovern explained this façade grant is missing two quotes. Matt McDonald will seek an additional quote. Discussion followed on the best way to move forward with this request.

**MOTION** by Diener, seconded by Adams, to table this Façade Grant until we receive another quote.

All Ayes

Motion Carried

3. **MDA Conference Points of Interest** – Fisher explained we received some good ideas to work on for strategic planning. Public Art Blueprints were discussed as well. We should consider developing a volunteer database. Discussion followed on other DDA's have volunteer hours from the board members. Discussion followed.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Historic Bell Information

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** McGovern adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Vicki Scott