

**VILLAGE OF LEXINGTON
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
INFORMATIONAL/REGULAR MEETING
Village of Lexington – 7227 Huron Ave., Lexington, MI
May 10, 2023 @ 5:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER INFORMATIONAL MEETING: 5:08 p.m.

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

OTHERS PRESENT: V. Scott, S. McCoy, K. DeCoster, D. Zielinski, D. Roehl, D. Klaas

PURPOSE: To inform the public of goals and direction of the Authority, including upcoming projects.

McGovern provided a power point presentation and a synopsis of the DDA. McGovern discussed some of the activities over the last year including; the DDA Plan, the new social district, manage the streetscape improvements, seasonal flowers, holiday light pole decorations, and providing façade grant improvements. McGovern discussed the upcoming Harbor Redevelopment project as well.

PUBLIC COMMENT: D. Roehl – commented on the wayfaring signs and historical district.

CLOSE INFORMATIONAL MEETING: 5:34 pm.

CALL TO ORDER: Chairperson McGovern called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

ROLL CALL: by Vicki Scott

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

ABSENT: Kaatz, VanDyke, Drouillard

OTHERS PRESENT: S. McCoy, K. DeCoster, D. Zielinski, D. Roehl, D. Klaas

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

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

All Ayes

Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Adams, seconded by McGovern, to approve the April 12, 2023 minutes as presented.

All Ayes

Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- D. DeCoster (5203 Main St.) - commented on the attendance line being on the agenda.

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION: - Bales explained the financial reports.

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

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Social District Update** – McGovern explained the resolution was approved by Council. I have submitted this to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission, which has been approved. We are still working on a logo for the social district and prices for stickers. No new information on the signs. Council needs to approve each business that wants to participate then it would go to MMLC. Discussion on having a QR code on stickers.

2. **New Business Welcome Package** – McGovern explained most of this information is on the Village website. We just need to get it all in a central location and get packets put together for new businesses. McGovern spoke with Drouillard about forming one spot on the website that residents could go to. Zysk explained this would have been helpful when she opened her business and is willing to help with this as well.
3. **Wayfinding Signs Update** – McGovern explained as a donation to the Village he purchased one sign from Woodruff and one from Lakeshore Graphics, each making an 18 x 24 sign. Discussion followed on the signs acknowledging the DDA.
4. **DDA 2023-2024 Budget** – Bales explained the sub committee met and discussed some changes for the proposed budget. Bales noted we budgeted \$20,000.00 under contracted services to help with event assistance, and budgeted \$50,000.00 for DPW. McCoy noted any amendments can be done through the year. Discussion followed on the attached proposed budget.

MOTION by McGovern, seconded by Bender, to approve the 2023-2024 proposed budget and send to Council.

Roll Call:

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

Nays: None

Motion carried

5. **Keel Update** – McGovern explained we asked for additional information last meeting. There is some additional provided in the packet. Unfortunately, VanDyke could not be here this evening to explain this. Discussion followed.

MOTION by Bales, seconded by Bender, to table this until next month for additional clarification from VanDyke.

All Ayes

Motion carried

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **MDA Update** – McGovern explained he attended the MDA conference and is looking into another one as well. A lot of information and networking took place.
2. **Harbor Redevelopment Committee Members** – McGovern explained we have to pick a committee member and an alternate for this committee. McGovern asks if anyone is interested in being the committee member, no interest is shown. McGovern explained VanDyke is interested in being a committee member if no one else is interested.

MOTION by Bender, seconded by Westbrook to appoint James VanDyke as the harbor redevelopment committee member and Mike McGovern as the alternate.

All Ayes

Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Kathy DeCoster – commented on the Keel advertising.
- D. Zielinski – commented on advertising.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION by Bender, seconded by Bales to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 pm.

All Ayes

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Vicki Scott

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