

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON WEDNESDAY JUNE 19, 2019**

Chairman Budnik called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT – Directors Alec Brietzke, Cory Budnick (7:40 am), Tom Gajewski, Scott McLennan, Preston Mertz, Erik Nadolsky, Travis Peltz, James Przybyla (7:35 am) and Director John Budnik.

ABSENT – Directors Boyd Haut, Barbara Mills and Tim Pritchard.

OTHER PERSONS PRESENT – City Mgr. Joseph Hefele, Volunteer DDA Community Events Director Kim Margherio and Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Janet Nowak.

APPROVAL OR CORRECTIONS OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Director McLennan, seconded by Director Nadolsky, to approve the minutes from the May 8, 2019 regular meeting and the May 29, 2019 Special meeting.

Ayes – All, the motion carried.

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE DDA: None.

REPORTS

VOLUNTEER DDA COMMUNITY EVENTS DIRECTOR

Volunteer DDA Community Events Director Kim Margherio reported that she has contact information for Joe Borgstrom's wife who works for Pure Michigan. Margherio will be emailing her Rogers City event information with the hopes to have it in next year's Pure Michigan travel guide.

COMMITTEES

•**Clock at the corner of North Third and East Michigan Ave** – Chr. Budnik reported that Presque Isle County agreed to pay up to \$500 towards the repair of the clock.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS

2018-2019 BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND TRANSFERS

City Mgr. Hefele explained the 2018-19 budget amendment and transfers that were included in the Manager's report and gave a brief overview of the DDA's revenue and expenses.

DDA RESOLUTION NO. 2019-14

A motion was made by Director Przybyla, seconded by Director Budnick, to approve the FY2018/2019 budget amendments and transfers as presented.

ROLL CALL- Ayes, All - the motion carried.

VISITOR INFORMATION AREA

City Mgr. Hefele reported that the City received 12 signs from NOAA that are part of Great Lakes Maritime Heritage Trail; they will be installed at the Marina. Hefele explained the proposal was to install the two larger signs from NOAA, that are a kiosk style sign, in the area south of the Marina parking lot next to the current visitor information center. Also proposed, was replacing the information center with one or more units that are user-friendly. Discussion was had on the information center, how many are needed, cement pad that will make the area ADA assessable and where the NOAA signs and information center should be located.

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DDA RESOLUTION NO. 2019-15

A motion was made by Director Przybyla, seconded by Director Nadolsky, to approve the purchase of one of the information center's as proposed at a cost of \$1,018.

ROLL CALL – Ayes, All - the motion carried.

SAILOR'S MEMORIAL

City Mgr. Hefele reviewed the plan to update the Sailor's Memorial, which he hopes will be completed prior to the Nautical Festival. Hefele is requesting the DDA to front the project until the funds can be raised. He explained that the project will not start until all costs are known and if the cost exceeds \$6,000 he will come back to the DDA.

DDA RESOLUTION NO. 2019-16

A motion was made by Director Przybyla, seconded by Director Nadolsky, that the DDA will front the Sailor's Memorial project as presented until the funds can be raised with a cost of up to \$6,000.

Ayes – All, the motion carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

•**Avenue of Flags** - City Mgr. Hefele will be placing an article in the *Presque Isle County Advance* asking for community input on ideas for flags that will be flown in the Avenue of Flags.

•**Third and Erie four way stop** - Need signage stating that pedestrians have the right-of-way.

•**Mariner's Mall** - City Mgr. Hefele stated that the Third Street side of the Mariner's Mall was damaged and all the brick will have to be replaced; this is an opportunity to speak with the owner about promoting the City and/or Marina on their building.

•**Third & Erie** - Chr. Budnik stated that some of the plants need to be replaced.

DDA RESOLUTION NO. 2019-17

A motion was made by Director McLennan, seconded by Director Gajewski, to approve the purchase of plants for the Third and Erie corner; cost not to exceed \$200.

Ayes- All, the motion carried.

•**Hanging Flower Baskets** – Chr. Budnik will check into when the hanging flower baskets will be hung.

•**Thank you** – Thank you needs to be sent to the Presque Isle District Library for allowing the Economic Summit to be held at the Rogers City Theater and to Culligan Water for supplying water.

•**Team Rogers City meeting** – Will be held this Friday, June 21st. Developers, Dale Krajniak and Maria Zingas will be building an Inn on the old Vogelheim property; they will be at the meeting to explain their plan.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:42 am.

John Budnik, Chairman

Janet M Nowak,
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer