

Village of Bellaire

Downtown Development Authority

Mark Irwin, Chairperson
Don Hoyt, Vice-chairperson
Doug Dawson, Secretary
Ken Fifelski, Treasurer

Downtown Development Authority Minutes Wednesday, May 31, 2017

1. **Call to Order:** Chairperson, Mark Irwin called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m..

2. **Attendance**
Members Present: Don Hoyt, Doug Dawson, Ryan McConnell, Don Seman, Dave Schulz, Joe Short, Ken Fifelski

Members Absent: Roland Fink
Others Present: Amanda Baker - NLEA - rep, Jean Burns - public

3. **Approval of Consent Agenda:** The agenda was approved. Motioned by Seman , seconded by Hoyt. Motion carried a unanimous vote.
 - a. **Financial Report:** as o May 31, 2017 the account has a balance o \$415.68.

- b. April 26, 2017 DDA Minutes Approval - Motion by Schulz, seconded by Seman to approve the minutes. Motion carried a unanimous decision.

4. **Public Comment on Agenda:** Jean Burns commented on the time of the meetings not being public friendly. Asked if we have thought about changing them to a more convenient time, possibly evenings. The the comment was also made that the downtown isn't shopping friendly in that there are too many non-shopping business on main street. She was also concerned that at this time there were not a female on the board and wondered why that was. These were some concerns o hers that she wanted to make the board aware o.

5. **NLEA Director's Report:**

- a. Communication stats -Facebook 158 likes.

6. **Old Business:**

- a. TIF plan has been approved and completed. The county is just confirming all of the properties in the district and their taxable values.
- b. Bellaire DDA sponsored Business After Hours to be October 26th, 2017. This will be the DDA's signature event as well.
Having a taste of Bellaire at Short's from 5:30-7:00.
- c. Special Assessment - right now looking to present ideas to the property owners of what the DDA is looking to do and wanted to know what the property owners would like to see before continuing further.
- d. Pedestrian walkway and lights - waiting on permission to attach the lights to the buildings and a quote on doing this.
- e. 50/50 raffle - the state needs additional information.
 - . Kayak/Canoe Launch - Looking to possibly work with the village which has already applied or a grant to possibly locate it along the north side o the beach.

7. **New Business:**

- a. Business Incubator Idea - The NLEA is putting on a County Pitch Night, The winner may have first dibs on the vacant Short's space. Short's is looking to embrace new entrepreneurs and their ideas.

8. **Miscellaneous Business: None**
9. **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: None**
10. **Adjourned:** The meeting was adjourned at 9:18. Motion to adjourn by Irwin, seconded by Hoyt. Motion carried a unanimous vote.

Meeting minutes compiled by,
Secretary
Doug Dawson