

Village of Bellaire

Downtown Development Authority

Mark Irwin, Chairperson
Don Hoyt, Vice-chairperson
Doug Dawson, Secretary
Christy Wilson, Treasurer

Downtown Development Authority Minutes Wednesday, January 29, 2020

1. **Call to Order:** Chairperson, Mark Irwin called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m..
2. **Attendance**
Members Present: Doug Dawson, Don Hoyt, Rolland Fink
Dan Benett, Christy Wilson, Louise Wenzel, Mark Irwin, Don Seaman
Members Absent: Joe Short
Others Present: Amanda Kik, Dave Ciganik
3. **Approval of Consent Agenda:** The agenda was approved with the addition of New Business, f. Bi-laws and g. Meeting Time.
Motioned by Seaman, seconded by Fink to approve the agenda, motion carried a unanimous vote.
4. **Public Comment on Agenda:** None at this time
5. **Old Business**
 - a. **Bellaire Community Hall Update:** With a new review the Village Offices would stay in the front of the hall and only be moved during construction. The fundraising team has been meeting weekly to reach a goal of one million dollars that would be paired with a matching grant from the MEDC.

- b. **Buy Local:** The 3rd Friday events have been doing well and will continue. Giving Thursday will continue its event every quarter.

6. New Business:

- a. **DPW Sidewalk Salting-** Was wondering about salting the sidewalks in Downtown area. The DDA would have to purchase the salt. Looking to get a general consent from the businesses involved.
 - b. **Downtown Parking:** Talked about an annual or bi annual letter to remind business owners about parking their personal vehicles on main street for extended periods of time during peak business hours.
 - c. **Detroit Institute of Arts 2020 Display:** Bellaire was chosen as a location to display their art. They are in the process of finding display locations and obtaining permission. Motion Irwin, seconded Bennett to accept the DIA offer and form a sub Committee to help find locations and secure permission. The committee would be comprised of people from the Village Council, DPW, DDA, Business owners and others looking to help. Motion carried a unanimous decision.
 - d. **Community Huddle:** The feeling is that this group is definitely needed to help everyone achieve goals in making Bellaire and the surrounding area better.
 - e. **Officer Elections 2020-** Reviewed the officers that were up for re-election Dawson-Secretary, Wilson-Treasurer, Hoyt-Vice Chairman. Motion by Irwin, seconded by Seaman to have Dawson stay as Secretary, Wilson as Treasurer, Hoyt as Vice-Chairman. Motion carried a unanimous vote. Irwin indicated he would like to step down as Chairman and nominated Wenzel for the position. Motion by Irwin, seconded by Seaman to have Wenzel be the Chair. Motion carried a unanimous decision.
 - f. **Bi-laws:** Talked about some continuity amongst positions and expectations that would come with the position.
 - G. **Meeting Time:** Motion by Wilson, seconded by Seaman to change the meeting time to 9:00 a.m.. Motion passed unanimously.
- 7. Miscellaneous Business-** None

8. **Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items: none**
9. **Adjourned:** Meeting was adjourned at 9:16 a.m.. Motion by Irwin,
Seconded by Fink to adjourn.

Meeting minutes compiled by, Doug Dawson