

Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 8th 2019 at 5:30 pm
City Council Chambers, 3200 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte MI 48192

MEMEBRS PRESENT: Patt Slack, Anne Majlinger, Scott Jordan, Bryan Koszinski, John Jarjosa, Norm Walker, Leo Stevenson

EXCUSED: Mayor Joseph Peterson, Ricky DeSana

OTHERS PRESENT: Joe Gruber, DDA Director

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES & AGENDA

- a. Minutes from September and agenda from October

Motion by P. Slack supported by J. Jarjosa to approve the DDA Minutes from September 2019 and the agenda for the October 2019 meeting. All in favor, motion carried.

MONTHLY TO RECEIVE & PLACE ON FILE

- a. September 2019

L. Stevenson requested that an update capital report be sent to the DDA Board members due to the end of the fiscal year.

Motion by L. Stevenson supported by S. Jordan to approve the September 2019 revenue and expenditure report. Roll call, all in favor, motion carried.

ON GOING PROJECTS AND BUSINESS:

Downtown Galleyway Area

J. Gruber updated the committee on the Downtown Galleyway, he sated that it is coming along very well. The prints from the Wyandotte Museum will be hung up and the Department of Public Service will be installing those while creating the frames for the pieces. They should be installed before the November Third Friday. P. Slack communicated to the committee the style of the pieces that will be on the alleyway. The committee discussed.

J. Gruber also stated during the October event, a chainsaw artist created wooden animal pieces and will be painted by the City of Wyandotte Official Artist, Con Lustig and placed downtown. The committee discussed.

J. Gruber also stated that the DDA Design Committee will be working on the fountain area in the downtown for the future.

Construction Projects in the Downtown:

J. Gruber stated that there is construction taking place on Maple Street in the Downtown area. It is planned to be wrapped up in November and things will be back to normal for the businesses and patrons of that area.

Outdoor Patio and Café Ordinance

J. Gruber stated that as some board members are aware, a group of bar owners approached the DDA asking the board to research how other DDA cities handle their outdoor patio and café ordinances. He stated this report is not yet complete and at the November 12th meeting should have line items and fee comparisons and other details for review.

L. Stevenson recommends to look also into the insurance requirements in the other communities and also invite the bar owner group to that meeting in November when the information is presented.

P. Slack stated there is another project to update the available property inventory in the DDA area as well. L. Stevenson requested an update on the former LTB's business site for the next meeting. The committee discussed the new fiscal year and the projects and property development in the new year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Wyandotte Beer Company: Grant Request

L. Stevenson stated the grant sub-committee met and agreed the Wyandotte Beer Company is a great project for the Downtown area. An extension for the project was requested and approved, as well as a grant of \$5,000 for the completion of the project. The owner of the business spoke to the DDA and stated the goal is to open by November 1st 2019. The committee discussed.

Motion by L. Stevenson, supported by J. Jarjosa to approve the \$5,000 grant and extension for the Wyandotte Beer Company project. Roll call, all in favor, motion carried.

Downtown Events

P. Slack mentioned the downtown Trick or Treating event hosted by Love Wyandotte. The committee discussed the details of the event. J. Gruber stated there is another event called Witches of Wyandotte taking place in October as well hosted by a group called Shop the Dotte. J. Gruber mentioned the DDA and City of Wyandotte social media outlets.

The committee discussed the November events downtown.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:

November 12th 2019

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by J. Jarjosa, and supported by A. Majlinger to adjourn DDA meeting. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Thiede - Champlin, Deputy Recording Secretary.