



DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

ROSCOMMON

MEETING MINUTES

October 17, 2022

Members Present: CEO Ron Alden, President Thomas O’Brien (1), Treasurer Andrea Weiss (1), Diane Love Suvada (3), Crystal Brabant (3), Jessie Sharpe (3), Peggy Kish (Resident) (1), Mike Walker (4), Phil Weiler (4)

Virtual: Secretary Sue Jock (2), Sue McFatrige (3),

Excused: Vice President Jim Anderson (2), Tom Barber (4),

Absent:

Others Present: Marcie Dankert, Dan Scow and Beth Barber

Motion made by Andrea Weiss to accept the meeting minutes for September, second by Phil Weiler, motion carried. The minutes were corrected to change the title to Meeting Minutes not Agenda.

Roscommon Downtown Development Authority – September 2022

(Thru 10/14/22)

Treasurer’s Report

Balance Forward	\$394,576.33
Deposits	\$30,330.00
	\$424,906.33

Bills Approved Prior Month

Bills to be approved

<i>Ck #1293 Dan Scow</i>	\$2,593.75
<i>Ck #1294 Village of Roscommon (2023 flower baskets)</i>	\$3,740.00
<i>Ck #1295 RARA-AuSable River Center</i>	\$300.00
<i>Ck #1296 Marcie Dankert</i>	\$537.70
Ending Balance	\$417,734.88

Late bill Farmers Market Bill for additional \$300 for winter market and cleaning.

Motion by to accept treasurer’s report as presented by Ron Alden, second by Crystal Brabant, roll call, treasurer’s report approved.

CORRESPONDENCE & PUBLIC COMMENT –

None-

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Managers’ Report –

- Reminder October 20 five family’s meetings. PA 97 meeting fulfillment 6pm.
- No post office update. Contacts to state representatives.
- Looking at Spark Grant for bridge over the river for Hiawatha.

- Capital improvement plan, adding 2028 plans. Four-inch water line changed out to 8in. Infrastructure in industrial park, many future opportunities.
- Thank you to the DDA for support of the village flowers.
- 150th celebration was a success, positive feedback. Considering to do it annually.
- Jasmine Rees is receding her student member application.

Economic Administrator:

- More than 30 sponsors for the 150th celebration.
- **Mural Compensation**
 - Request \$400 to compensate Olivia Meadows for painting the mural on 709 Lake Street.
 - We also have a quote from Terry Dickinson to refurbish the murals on the St. Vincent DePaul building for \$1800 plus scaffold rental if needed.
 - working on getting a committee together to make a recommendation for future art in the Village.
- **Downtown Rehabilitation Grant"** Continue discussions from last month about offering a "Downtown Rehabilitation Grant" funded by the DDA (See Attached). Finding needs that are beyond the scope of the façade grant. Many need more than \$10K in assistance. Many need more significant improvements than facades. Most do not have the means to contribute 25-50% matching funds. A proposed draft is attached. To be further discussed in November.

Façade Grants –

- VFW Post new doors \$4159 \$3,750 / \$7,500-No update-
Change of contractors - Pending final paid invoice.
- Spruce Lodge new roof \$5,000 / \$11,900-painting started, shingles on site-
Pending final paid invoice

Old Business:

- Veteran - Thank You for Serving banners, no new applications.
- Overhead Power line ordinance-Village council voted not to support this. Question on eliminating overhead banners for events. If ordinance was tweaked then resubmitted. No objection to the banners.
- Light pole maintenance still in the works.

New Business:

- Mural Compensation Olivia Medows \$400, motion made by Mike Walker, second by Crystal Brabant, roll call motion carried. Terry Dickenson for \$1,800 mural rehab, motion by Mike Walker second by Crystal Brabant, roll call motion carried.
- Downtown Rehabilitation Grant- see above
- Master Plan Progress Report and feedback: Will need to develop new plan in 2023.
- MEDC Match on Main Recommendation: Subcommittee accepted Roscommon Laundromat and Wickery (new candle business) for consideration. Motion to approve the committee recommendation by Ron Alden second by Sue Jock, motion carried

- Economic Administrator Consultant Compensation- Hours worked this month have exceeded hourly limit. Consistent working 20-30 hours a week. Ron Alden will check with the Village Council for their input. General conversation tended to develop a second position due to extent of work and future transition. November agenda item.

Future Projects:

Village clock, Tank Creek bridge, possible extending culvert and cement over, music script for downtown sound system, Façade Grants 25% match, Start-up incentive Grants.

Liaison Reports:

Village, Township, Chamber: Girls Night Out October 18th, Chamber annual meeting October 25th at the Barn

Next DDA Meeting – November 21st

Christmas in the Village - Baby it Cold Outside 12-7-22, 6:30 at AuSable River Center

Motion by Mike Walker, second by Diane Suvada., meeting adjourned at 9:35.

Secretary-Sue Jock