



MEETING MINUTES

June 19th, 2023

Members Present: CEO Ron Alden, President Thomas O'Brien (4), Vice President Jim Anderson (1), Treasurer Andrea Weiss (4), Secretary Sue Jock (1), Diane Love Suvada (2), Jessie Sharpe (2), Peggy Kish (Resident) (4), Tom Barber (3), Phil Weiler (3)

Virtual:

Excused: Mike Walker (3), Sue McFatrige (2)

Absent: Crystal Brabant (2),

Others Present: Jim Perialis, Dan Scow, Anthony Gnesotto, Marcie Dankert, Tracy Smith

Motion made by to accept the meeting minutes for by May by Andrea Weiss second by Ron Alden, motion carried.

Roscommon Downtown Development Authority- Treasurer's report (Thru 6/16/23)

Balance Forward	\$464,000.78
Deposits	\$500.00
Balance	\$464,500.78
Bills Approved Prior Month	
Ck #1326 Terry Dickinson	\$1,800.00
Ck #1327 Village of Roscommon (paving stripes)	\$1,200.00
Ck #1328 MIFMA	\$250.00
Ck #1329 Roscommon Village (Clock Repair)	\$1,644.86
Billed to be approved	
Ck #1330 Marcie Dankert	\$500.00
Ck #1331 Daniel Scow	\$1,680.00
Ck #1332 Office Central (Receipt book for Farmer's Market)	\$27.43
Ending Balance	\$457,398.49

Future Commitments to Date

AuSable River Center	\$300 Quarterly
Hiawatha Grant	\$50,000.00 approved/no payment schedule
Village of Roscommon Equipment 1 left	\$15,251.00 due in Sept.

Motion by to accept treasurer's report as presented by Ron Alden, second by Jim Anderson, roll call, treasurer's report approved.

CORRESPONDENCE & PUBLIC COMMENT –

Dan Scow submitted a resignation letter dated 5-15-23. Dan was thanked as our Economic Administrator.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Managers' Report –

- Paving of Ester, Tisdale and Hilltop
- Roscommon Sleep and Stay Hotel is now hooked into the village sewer system.

- Camp and Go RV Park: Denied by Higgins Township, pursuing industrial park location.
- Easement deed for Chase Bank to extend parking lot. Trees removed along 4th, leaves fall on roof and interfere with drains.
- Compost site hours 9-3pm.
- New GFI for light poles area ordered.

Farmers Market: Great start to season, average of 32 vendors, there were 39 this week. Shut down Brooks Street from railroad to Main helped. \$2,600 collected from vendor fees. Seasonals have all paid. Attendance is high. Veterans utilizing veterans' coupons. Complements of paved parking area. Bathroom usage is up for the single bathroom. Consider port-a-pot for outside. Village to research.

Economic Administrator

- Spark grant in process, second submission by June 26th.
- Clock repair vendor assessed and repair scheduled for mid-July.
- Grants: MOM Grant update, laundry mat in process. Optimize Mainstreet Grant: Two businesses awarded, provide business consultants. Village Outfitters, Depot Candle Shop.
- Master Plan "Public Opinion Survey" is underway.

Façade Grants –

- Uncommonly Good: multiple owners with original grant submission, changes, owner changes, new grant submission. Must fix roof before they get occupancy permit. Committee recommended, motion by Jim Anderson, second by Ron Alden. roll call, motion carried.
- D . Hall – 709 Lake Street, exterior work is scheduled this week, pending.
- Five Buds in process, working on security door, should be submitted by next month.
- St. Michaels, work in process, pending.
- Flecks BP finished their façade, confirmation pending.
- Ron spoke to Spruce Lodge, personal issues, supplies ordered.

Old Business

- Veteran - Thank You for Serving banners, no new applications.
- Review of Façade Grant recommendations- 6/1/2023 addendums suggestions reviewed-Motion to approve as presented, Tom Barber, second by Jim Anderson, motion carried.
- DDA bylaws update-Village Council approval.

New Business:

- New community service board, Summerfest went well. First Impression assessment will take place in the fall by Roscommon Economic Group. Requested \$1,200 for Art Festival Advertising, Motion by Jim Anderson, second by Jim Anderson, roll call motion carried.
- Roscommon Fireworks Committee: Anthony request financial support for \$2,500 for advertising and miscellaneous promotional materials. Motion by Jim Anderson, second by Phil Weiler, roll call, motion approved. Increasing costs, reduced sponsors.
- Ken's Tire Lot - Group met with Ken's Tire with ideas for corner lot Shelly & 5th. Tear down building and lease for public parking. Not wanting to sell property to DDA. General discussion, Jim to discuss further with Kenny.
- Au Sable River Pavilion - Would like to get property from Frontier. Jim Anderson may have contacts.
- Donation for the October Music Festival. Last year the DDA gave \$2,000. Working on official name. Motion by Jim Anderson, second by Phil Weiler, roll call motion carried.

- Realignment of hours for the Economic Development Position-DDA budgeted 15 hours a week by history. Dan has now resigned. Ron requests that we take 10 of the budgeted hours and reallocate them to Jim and then keep Dan on as special projects for the remainder of 5 hours, motion to enter into agreement with the village to reallocate funds and pay village invoice. Motion by Jim Anderson, second Tom Barber, roll call motion carried.

Liaison Reports:

Next DDA Meeting – July 17th.

Waste Water Open House – June 30th

Roscommon Art Festival - July 8th. Great AuSable Duck Race – July 9th, \$25 tickets are available

Motion to adjourn by Tom Barber, second by Jessie Sharpe, motion carried.

Secretary-Sue Jock