

**ROSCOMMON DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
BOARD MINUTES  
February 18, 2019

**Members Present:** Tammy Schwalm, Tom O'Brien, Ron Alden, Jessie Sharpe, Doug Hodges, Paige Haines.  
Attending via Skype Jim Anderson and Cecilia Scow

**Excused:** Andrea Weiss, Sue Jock, Roy Spangler, Mike Walker, Phil Weiler

**Absent:**

**Others Present:** Diane Love-Suvada, Mike Miller,

Motion by Doug Hodges with support from Paige Haines to accept the Secretary's report. All in favor, motion carried. Motion by Doug Hodges second by Jessie Sharpe to approve the Treasurer's report. All in favor, motion carried.

Thru 2/15/19)	Treasurer's report	
Cash on Hand		\$220,490.68
Deposits		\$73,585.37
Interest 1/31/19		\$19.35
		\$294,095.40

Bills Approved Prior Month

Bills for Approval

Ck #1066 Village of Roscommon(Safe Routes)	\$400.00
Ck #1067 Village of Roscommon (HL Resorter Ad)	\$25.80

Ending Balance      \$293,669.60

**CORRESPONDENCE & PUBLIC COMMENT** – Roy sent information on the MI association capital improvement program in Midland Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup>.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Managers Report** – Ron hopes to have some conceptual drawings for the Hiawatha property in the future. A lot in the industrial park has been sold. Rosco's restaurant closed. There are two interested parties looking at the property. Impact Office is closing at the end of the month and services will be maintained from the West Branch store. Two people are interested in that space one to lease and one to purchase the building. Planning commission will meet this Wednesday to look at the first draft of the master plan. The Roxie committee will be meeting this week prior to the planning commission meeting. The committee is at the branding and marketing stage the bid is out in the paper. Ron had a second meeting the USDA with regards to the info structure of water and sewer throughout the village. This grant would put new meters in all the village residents' home.

**Facade Grant** – No grants at this time.

**Sidewalks and Streetscapes** – Ron reported they are questioning whether they want to put one or two baskets of flowers per light. They are also working on determining what poles will have the 40 flower baskets. Ron and Lance are working on the sidewalks to focus on this summer.

**Website** – Nothing new to report.

**Sawmill** – Diane presented a report on the past month's activities and up-coming activities. Working on a Quick book series that starts this week. Erine Adams is coming back to do a 5 weeks series on getting prepared to be a small business owner. March 18 to April 15. Cottage food law classes will be done again this year. SERV Safe certification class on April 13.

**Farm market**- Nothing to report.

**Economic Development Coordinator** – Mark sent out his report.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Lighthouse walkway/bridge** - Nothing new to report.

**Iron Bell Trail** – Nothing new to report. Waiting for better figures to come in. The Village is looking at remarking the roadway where they come in but they don't see much costs to the Village. Bike racks in the Village would be good idea to encourage bikes to stop and walk around.

**Consumers Energy** - We are waiting again for them to contact us back. No details on who would pay for this. It appears that Consumers is not paying for it as they first presented it a couple years ago.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Review Short, Mid and Long-Term Project List:** Tom provided us the up-dated list that we reviewed together last month.

**Future projects** – Roy sent an e-mail recommending dog poop bags, possible Wallace Park would be a good place for these.

The DDA Bylaws needs to be up-dated for skype attendance and voting. MML says you can Skype for attendance but can't vote. Tom will come back with some ideas to visit next month.

**LIAISON REPORTS** – Business Expo is May 15<sup>th</sup>. The Chamber is looking for an organization to take over the Egg Scramble so they can get back to doing fund raising and doing things for the businesses.

**Meeting Adjourned at 9:00.** Motion by Ron with support by Tammy. All in favor.