



Meeting Agenda

Location: DDA Office at the Carnegie
129 S. Kalamazoo St. Paw Paw

Date: July 15, 2024

Time: 5:30 pm

Agenda Details:

- I. Call to Order:
- II. Attendance:
- III. Guests:
- IV. Approval of Prior Minutes:
- V. Grant Applications Requests: No requests this month
- VI. Committee and Staff Reports:
 - a. Village Manager's Report: (Bryan Myrkle)
 - b. Staff Report: (Mary)
- VII. Ongoing Business:
 - a. Decision on Karen Makay's proposals
- VIII. New Business:
- IX. Member Comments:
- X. Adjournment:



Paw Paw Downtown Development Authority

MEETING MINUTES

June 17, 2024 • 5:30 p.m.

Carnegie Center @ 129 S. Kalamazoo St. Paw Paw

Call to order - Meeting of the Paw Paw Downtown Development Authority Board of Directors was called to order at 5:31 pm by Board Chair Mary Lou Hartwell.

In attendance – Mary Lou Hartwell, Roman Plazczak, Kim Otten, Barbara Carpenter, Sarah Cox, Terrie Simpkins, Jason Diebler, Janet Wartman, Chris Moraitis, Ellyn Jones
Bryan Myrkle - Village Manager and Mary Springer - DDA Coordinator

Absent:

Guest: Julie Pioch and Sherry Bennet discussed the strategic plan for the district library. Talked about what the library offers such as legal forms, newsletter, library card privileges and benefits. The library is seeking public engagement for outdoor use of the Soapy's property which the library has acquired.

Karen Makay Discussion of findings and solution to the capture issue. See attached.

A MOTION was made by Sarah Cox and **SUPPORTED** by Jan Wartman to accept the 4th proposal presented by Karen. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Roman strongly suggests that it goes before the Village attorney before the board moves forward with it.

A MOTION was made by Ellyn Jones and **SUPPORTED** by Sarah Cox to approve the minutes of the May 20, 2024, meeting minutes with correction to a typo in the amount given in the manager's report. **MOTION CARRIED.**

No Grant Request

No New Business –

Committee and Staff Reports:

Manager's Report:

Bryan reported that there is money in the Village Budget to cover the electrical upgrades so the DDA and the Festival will not have to worry about finding funds in their budget for that expense. The project is about halfway finished.

The owner of the Tastee Freeze property has applied for a Demo permit but there were some problems with the deed needing to be cleared up 1st.

The planning commission is still working on the food truck ordinance.

MDOT will be resurfacing the I-94 bridge in July. This is just maintenance as the I-94 bridge as well as the bridge in front of Warner's is due for replacement in 2025-26 if they are able to get a grant to help with the cost, otherwise it will be moved out to 2030.

Staff Report: See Attached.

Ongoing Business-

Member Comments: Ellyn stated that she was in a town with gorgeous flowers only to find that they were silk. She wondered if we might consider silk flowers in some areas such as hanging baskets.

Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 6:34 pm.