



Paw Paw Downtown Development Authority

MEETING MINUTES

December 18, 2019 • 5:30 p.m.

DDA Office at the 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 5:35 pm by Board Chair Mary Lou Hartwell.

In attendance – Mary Lou Hartwell, Barbara Carpenter, Roman Plazczak, Maria Diaz, Harold Schuitmaker, Kim Otten, Steve Racette, Sarah Moyer-Cale-Village Manager

Absent – Sid Shank, Ellyn Jones, Holly Hamilton, Joe Romph, Randy Barker

Presentation of Guests – No guests were present at the meeting

Approval of Prior Minutes – A **MOTION** was made by Barb and **SUPPORTED** by Maria to approve the minutes of the October 2019, 2019 Board meeting as presented. **MOTION CARRIED.**

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Grant & Loan Approvals – The grant request was denied as the damage is an insurance issue..

Ongoing Business – Moyer-Cale reported that the 210 E. Michigan Ave property is in the process of restoration. New roof has been installed and abatement is presently being completed. There are also several new businesses coming into town: WOW! Painting is going into the space by Edgin Creations, Sweet Bee's Bakery going into 228 E. Michigan Ave. , and a Paw Paw Fit in 231 E. Michigan Ave. Concept plan for the Street Scape project was approved by Village Council (with changes) The Santa Run went well.

New Business –

Committee & Staff Reports – Moyer-Cale had no additional report outside what was discussed under ongoing business.

Mary Springer gave the staff report. She had a few ideas for projects to consider for the 2020 budget year:

- New Chairs for the Carnegie
- Fix Dental molding on the Carnegie
- Planters for flowers in front of entrance signs
- Parking signage
- Downtown Banners
- New Trash receptacles
- More downtown seating
- Buy Costumes from Timid Rabbit (going out of business after 2020) for the Christmas Parade

Read correspondence from Sherrie Taylor

Talked about plumbing issues and got permission to have the carpets cleaned.

Mary did speak to April and asked if she would be the liaison for the Chamber but she coaches girls basketball and does not have the availability.

No Chamber liaison present to give a report.

Discussion on the Township having a study conducted on the feasibility of re-routing truck traffic down Ampey Rd.

Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 6:15pm.
