



Grant Township – Copper Harbor DDA
DDA Meeting Minutes
March 1st, 2022, 6:00 pm
Grant Township Community Center
220 Gratiot Street Copper Harbor, MI 49918
Phone: (906) 289-4292

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm

Roll Call

Present - Don Kauppi, Ed Tulppo, Art Davis, Alex Protzel, Kirk Filsinger, Scott Ochodnicki, and Scott Wendt as Township Supervisor (would be tie-break vote)

Absent - Mike Musiel

Zoom (remote is absent from voting) - Greg Mielcarz

Motion to Approve 3/1/2022 Agenda – put forward by Don K, seconded by Ed T, third by Scott O., all in favor, Motion carries 6-2-0

Motion to Approve January 25th, 2022, Meeting Minutes – put forward by Ed T, seconded by Scott O, all in favor, Motion carries 6-2-0

Treasurer’s Report – DDA Fund Balance is \$77,253.48

Old Business Discussion

- DDA Board membership recruitment, opening posted online, several interested
- Board Member terms to be clarified and updated to meet State guidelines

Motion to recommend 4 of 5 new possible DDA Board Members (Staci Gibson, Dan Wiersgalla, Gregory Paul Lis, Sam Raymond) to the GT Board – put forward by Alex P, seconded by Art D, third by Scott O, all in favor, Motion carries 6-2-0

- Letter of Appreciation for Jeff ‘Gilly’ Gilmore for 12 years of service as DDA Chair, read by Scott O
- DDA budget discussion for fiscal year 2022-2023

Motion to approve DDA budget for fiscal year 2022-23 and send to the GT Board for final approval – put forward by Art D, seconded by Ed T, Scott O aye, Don K aye, Alex P aye, Kirk F aye, all in favor, Motion carries 6-2-0 – Mike M and Greg M absent

- Don K's 9th Street parking proposal – Scott O has updated the Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Committee, to be reviewed by the Committee at next meeting
- ADA accessibility/updates to Community Center building and Donny Kilpela Memorial Park planning continues
- New efforts to improve mobile communications in the area:
www.CommunityTaskForce.com

New Business

- CH.DDA@granttownshipmi.org is the new Copper Harbor DDA e-mail address

Public Comment Period - None

Motion to adjourn – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Ed T, all in favor, Motion carries 6-2-0

Meeting adjourned at 8:03pm

Motions recorded in Meeting Minutes as Aye/Yes-Nah/No-Abstain (Absent is a no vote)