



Grant Township – Copper Harbor DDA
DDA Meeting Minutes
May 24th, 2022, 6:00 pm
Grant Township Community Center
220 Gratiot Street Copper Harbor, MI 49918
Phone: (906) 289-4292

Meeting called to order at 6:06pm

Roll Call

Present - Ed Tulppo, Don Kauppi, Greg Mielcarz, Scott Ochodnicki, Dan Wiersgalla, Mike Musiel, Sam Raymond, Alex Protzel, Art Davis, Kirk Filsinger, Greg Lis and Scott Wendt as Township Supervisor (would be tie-break vote), with Staci Gibson arriving at 6:10pm
Absent - None
Zoom - None

Motion to Approve May 24th, 2022 Agenda

- Don K adds fireworks show permit
- Motion put forward by Scott O as amended, seconded by Kirk F, all in favor, Motion carries 11-0-0

Staci G arrives at 6:10pm

Motion to Approve April 26th, 2022 Meeting Minutes

- **Motion to Approve Meeting Minutes** – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Don K, all in favor, Motion carries 12-0-0

Treasurer's Report – provided by Scott O, DDA Treasurer Misty Filsinger could not attend

- **DDA balance is \$130,435.12**
There was a \$50,000 transfer to sewer 1480 for grinder pumps
There was a \$14,310.84 transfer from general 1415 operating portion DDA capture
- **Motion to approve transfer of funds** - put forward Art D, seconded by Greg M, **Roll Call** – Sam R aye, Kirk F aye, Mike M aye, Art D aye, Don K aye, Greg M aye, Dan W aye, Greg L aye, Alex P aye, Staci G aye, Ed T aye, Scott O aye, Motion carries 12-0-0
– None are absent

Old Business

- Car show update: Don K requests quantity of 5 pit toilets, Township Supervisor Scott W to arrange for this
- Other status updates:
 - Becky Weeks laptop for the Welcome Center has arrived
 - Board Attendance Policy signature sheets, a few still needed, Scott O to contact Board Members
 - More detailed plat maps of DDA capture area have been requested from Julie Carlson
 - Copper Harbor Nature Society Invoice and Copper Harbor Improvement Association (CHIA) Invoice, are both approved for payment
 - DDA is now a Member of the Michigan Downtown Association (MDA)
<https://www.michigandowntowns.com/>

New Business

- Fireworks show permit – needs to be signed and sent to Laurie Burton
- **Motion to Appoint Misty Filsinger as DDA Secretary** – put forward by Scott O, seconded by Don K, all in favor, Motion carries 12-0-0
- **Motion to approve purchase of a 6 webinar series from MDA for \$25/webinar total \$150** - put forward Scott O, seconded by Ed T, **Roll Call** – Sam R aye, Kirk F aye, Mike M aye, Art D aye, Don K aye, Greg M aye, Dan W aye, Greg L aye, Alex P aye, Staci G aye, Ed T aye, Scott O aye, Motion carries 12-0-0 – None are absent
 - Goal: Watch 6 webinars as orientation within 2 months and have a Mission Statement drafted following that
- Discussion of setting first public outreach DDA Board meeting tentatively scheduled for Tuesday Sept 27th, 2022
- Possible large projects discussions
 - Introduction and presentation of the Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Committee streetscape concepts, led by Sam R and Zane H with lengthy Q&A following. Guest Speaker Zane Hyrkas from OHM Advisors via Zoom. DDA may have a role in partial funding should this project come to fruition.
 - Affordable Housing solution: Don K provides DDA Board with brief update on a possible solution.

Public Comment Period - None

Motion to Adjourn - put forward by Ed T, seconded by Scott O, all in favor, Motion carries 12-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm

*Vote tallies recorded in Meeting Minutes as Aye/Yes - Nah/No - Abstain
(Absent excluded from tally)*