



Grant Township – Copper Harbor DDA

DDA Meeting Minutes

October 25th, 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 - Scott Ochodnicky, Mike Musiel, Sam Raymond, Kirk Filsinger, Ed Tulppo, Greg Mielcarz, Greg Lis, and Dan Wiersgalla

Absent - Art Davis, Staci Gibson, Don Kauppi, and Alex Protzel

Zoom - Staci Gibson

Motion to Approve October 25th, 2022 Agenda

- Greg Lis mentions 'dark sky' lighting initiative, brief discussion about moving this forward
- Motion put forward by Scott O, seconded by Greg M, all in favor, Motion carries 8-0-0

Motion to Approve September 27th, 2022 Meeting Minutes

- Motion put forward by Scott O, seconded by Ed T, all in favor, Motion carries 8-0-0

Treasurer's Report – provided by Scott Ochodnicky on behalf of Misty Filsinger

DDA balance is: \$98,711.24

Grant Township Elections 2022 update – provided by Scott Ochodnicky

- Election Commission held successful Public Accuracy Test on October 19th
- Clerk's Office Hours are 9am to 5pm Saturday November 5th

Copper Harbor DDA public outreach meeting - Today is first Copper Harbor DDA public outreach meeting, public notices and invites were posted via web, print and social media - Scott Ochodnicky provides brief Copper Harbor DDA History, discusses Public Act 57 of 2018, founding Ordinance #10 from 1985, the potential need to update 4 year terms, DDA webpage updates, and past and recent projects funded.

Old Business

- Kirk Filsinger mentions that 6th street dock/park lighting has been restored

New Business

- Copper Harbor DDA Logo Design Contest - ZillionDesigns.com
 - Brief discussion followed by Motion
 - **Motion to approve purchase of up to \$300 for ZillionDesigns.com DDA logo design contest** - put forward Kirk F, seconded by Ed T, **Roll Call Vote** – Scott O aye, Ed T aye, Kirk F aye, Greg M aye, Greg L aye, Mike M aye, Dan W aye, Sam R aye, Motion carries 8-0-0 – Art D, Staci G, Don K, and Alex P are absent, Staci says aye via Zoom
 - Contest to be launched 6 days prior to next meeting so that a logo can be selected by DDA Board during the final and 7th day of contest during meeting
- CopperDog sponsorship – lengthy 15 minutes discussion and consideration with no movement forward
- Letter of Support to Kelly Ryan and MSHDA for affordable housing initiative – lengthy discussion
 - Scott O provides a sample Letter of Support for review and discusses DDA being an incubator for local economic activity and progress and that DDA should pledge some level of support for the affordable housing initiative which does appear on the 2003 DDA Amendment
 - Scott O to send Letter of Support via e-mail to other DDA Board Members to ensure they see it before having everyone sign it

Public Comment Period – Starts at 6:52pm, Jeff and Kathy Ihde provide update and thanks for recently purchased sound equipment, made possible with DDA funding

Motion to Adjourn - put forward by Scott O, seconded by Ed T, all in favor, Motion carries 8-0-0

Meeting adjourned at 6:56pm

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