

VILLAGE OF LAKEVIEW
DDA Meeting Minutes
December 15, 2022

Helmer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Emily Griffith, Ransom Leppink, Greg Mckenna, Kevin Griffith, Bill Helmer, Paul Mesman, John Verplank and Raymi Sunabe.

Members Absent: Ed Jonaitis

Also Present: Village Manager, Darin K. Dood and Melissa King.

Public comments: None

Emily Griffith moved and Kevin Griffith seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Emily Griffith moved and Leppink seconded to approve the minutes from December 16, 2021 as presented. Motion carried.

Budget

Manager Dood gave an overview of the DDA budget for the current fiscal year. Our current cash balance is approx. \$51,000. After the remaining TIFA is collected and the final bills are paid, we should have \$60-65,000 for next year's budget.

The commitments for FY 23/24 include: \$15,000 payout for façade grants, \$30,000 designated for the Village Municipal Complex, Christmas lights, street lights, and operating. That will leave us with a balance of approx. \$5,000 to carry into the next FY, the 2024/25 budget.

Moving forward the TIFA collected in December/January will go into the next FY budget.

The Council decided at the December meeting to pay off the Pocket Park loan. This will help build the DDA fund for larger projects if desired.

Facade Grants

Manager Dood explained that 5 applications have been turned in for the FY 23/24 Façade Grants. Discussion took place as to whether we should award all 5 applicants at a reduced payout or if we should accept 3 applicants for the \$5,000 payout to each. He noted that one of the applicants wanted an awning and those are paid out at a lesser amount. This would allow four of the applicants \$3,465 and the fifth applicant \$1,140. Mesman moved and Kevin Griffith seconded to pay out the 5 applicants at the reduced amount with the exception if one applicant declined and wanted to wait for a full payout that the funds would then be split between those agreeing to the current payout terms.

Mckenna – Yes

Mesman – Yes

Leppink – Abstain

Verplank – Abstain

Kevin Griffith – Yes

Helmer – Yes

Emily Griffith – Abstain

Raymi Sunabe – Yes

Motion carried.

CIP Items

We reviewed items the we currently have on the CIP list. There were a number of items on the list that have been completed or are currently being worked on. Some of the items that we still would like to see completed are: Billboard sign on M91 South of the intersection and M46 East of the intersection, expanding the parking lot at Lakeside Park, Pavilion/bathroom on Bollinger's Lot, Village owned Christmas decorations, plant a Christmas tree at the Bollinger's lot site. Manager Dood mentioned he was going to try planting a tree in a landscaping box to see how it would fair. He is thinking the box could be removed in the winter to make sidewalk clearing easier.

Manager Dood is looking into a Sparks Grant that, if received, would help us to complete some of the projects on this list.

333 S. Lincoln was discussed at length.

DDA members asked if there was something that could be done about the phone lines that have been abandoned throughout town.

It was also mentioned that when looking into the new signs on M91/M46 maybe we could look into something more substantial. Something that has a nicer presentation to welcome people into our community.

Emily Griffith moved and Leppink seconded to adjourn meeting at 7:06 P.M. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa King
Village Clerk

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