

**CITY OF HUDSON
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
121 N. CHURCH STREET, HUDSON, MI
REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, January 18, 2018
6:00 p.m.**

The regular meeting was called to order to by Vice-Chairman Dave Sheely at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT: Dave Sheely, Dave Willhite, John Kirkland, Mark Monahan, Darwin Vandevender, Pam Ely, Pastor Bradley Luck

ABSENT: Mike Sanborn. Jason Decker, Tim Sallows

OTHERS: City Manager Steven Hartsel and Deputy Clerk Linda Cross

ORDERS OF THE DAY:

Minutes:

Motion by John Kirkland, seconded by Mark Monahan to **approve the minutes of October 19, 2017 and place on file**, CARRIED: by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public Comment received

NEW BUSINESS:

Future Projects

Dave Sheely mentioned the upcoming Sponsorship of the Volkswagen Jamboree and the Concerts in the Park. City Manager Steven Hartsel suggested the need for more lighting along Main Street in the area between the Auto Parts Store and Bean Creek, as it is quite dark in that area at night, and it would visually extend the downtown area. He suggested the DDA consider adding street lights there as a future project. Dave Sheely suggested that members bring any new ideas to the April meeting.

Discuss Budget

Vice-Chairman Dave Sheely said that the DDA needs to develop a proposed budget for the city by the next meeting in April. A budget subcommittee was formed consisting of Dave Sheely, Darwin Vandevender, Mark Monahan and John Kirkland..

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Bills

No bills to pay.

Financial Report:

The board was provided with a copy of their DDA Financial Report for the period ending December 31, 2017, submitted by the City Treasurer.

Balance Sheet

Cash – DDA	\$ 35,438.55
Total Revenue	\$ 55,511.33
Total Expenses	\$ 81,914.07
Net Surplus(Deficit)	\$ 9035.81

Motion by Dave Willhite, seconded by Dave Sheely to **approve the Financial Report**, CARRIED: by voice vote.

BOARD COMMENTS

Darwin advocated the need for rubber parking bumpers, or some other measure, for the Northwest Parking lot during the winter. The current ones get moved by the snow plows and cars are running over them.

Suggestions for a Senior Living Facility or Senior condos were mentioned as a need in the City.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

The City Manager informed the DDA of a request by Joann Crater to be allowed to use 306 W Main for the Mid Winter Blahs Sale in addition to already using the Community Center, as they need more space.

Motion by John Kirkland, seconded by Dave Willhite to **allow the use of 306 W Main for the Mid Winter Blahs Sale**. CARRIED: by voice vote.

Updated on the proposed Drews Place assisted living facility- the City is awaiting information from the family if it will proceed due to higher-than-expected construction expenses.

Updated on the status of the city obtaining and removing blight at 119 Lane (“the Bird House”).

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Dave Willhite, seconded by John Kirkland to **adjourn the meeting at 6:37 p.m.**

ATTEST: _____
Linda J Cross, Deputy City Clerk