

**VILLAGE OF WEBBERVILLE
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
November 16, 2020**

The regular scheduled meeting of the Webberville Downtown Development Authority was called to order by Chairman Rockey at 5:38 p.m. on November 16, 2020. Roll was called.

Present: Diana Baxter, Jordan Fuller, Jessica Kuch, Joe Warner, Josh Rockey.

Absent: Brad Hitchcock, Lawrence (Skip) Horton, Mike Rumsey (ex).

Others Present:

Jaymee Hord
John Gormley
Sam Schulte

WDDA Recording Secretary
Gormley & Johnson Law Offices
Village Council Member

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Warner, second by Baxter to approve the November 16, 2020, agenda as presented.

Ayes: All.

Absent: Brad Hitchcock, Lawrence (Skip) Horton, Mike Rumsey (ex).

Motion carried.

Public Comment

None

October 26, 2020 Minutes

Motion by Baxter, second by Kuch to approve the October 26, 2020 minutes as presented.

Ayes: All.

Absent: Brad Hitchcock, Lawrence (Skip) Horton, Mike Rumsey (ex).

Motion carried.

October 26, 2020 Accounts Payable and Treasurer's Report

Kuch gives the A/P and Treasurer's Report.

Motion by Baxter, second by Warner to approve the October 26, 2020 Accounts Payable as presented.

Ayes: Baxter, Fuller, Kuch, Warner, Rockey.

Absent: Brad Hitchcock, Lawrence (Skip) Horton, Mike Rumsey (ex).

Motion carried.

Ingham County EDC

MEDC not allowing in person meetings yet.

Jordan Fuller

Council appointed Jordan at the October 13, 2020 Council meeting. She and her husband are both Webberville graduates and her children are 5th generation Webberville students.

LAN/Andy Klein

Josh Rockey told them to bring an offer for the property as is and they would have to move the earth.

Harvey Weiss Property Development

This will be on the December 14, 2020 agenda.

John Gormley & Josh Rockey discuss this with the WDDA and things they may have/want to consider. Loss of control over property. Cost of the road. Do not want the WDDA left with wetland and unsellable parcels. Possibly give Harvey a commission- if he brings in large purchasers. Possibly sell large part to Harvey – with possibly the rest going to the Village, County or Drain Commission.

WDDA Loan Program

This would not be the same as the Façade Easement Program. The Façade Easement Program would be a program to help business fix up (“pretty up”) the visible outside of a building. The Loan Program would be a loan to fix up the interior of an existing building. It would help make the building more marketable. Cannot be used to help pay on an existing loan. It would have specific requirements just like the façade program. John Gormley will get an example for the next meeting. We will get the Façade Easement Program copy out as well.

K & J Parking Lot Expansion

The parking lot would have angled parking looping into the municipal parking lot. Possibly an “Enter” only from Grand River or a “Only Right Turn” out at Grand River. Jim Ackerman would like the easement for the alley behind his building vacated if this were to happen for safety reasons. Josh Rockey told Jim Ackerman he would look into this scenario and Jim Ackerman said he is not interested in a permanent easement. Possibly giving an easement that would be abandoned once the building was sold. Josh talked about possible eminent domain for a sidewalk to go between parking lot and Grand River. John Gormley said that it cost around \$175,000.00 for the parking area behind the hardware in Williamston. They discussed the Village wanting the property next to the post office for a parking lot and the parcel between the restaurant and the insurance company. Thought about checking with the Village to see if there could be a possibility of making a couple of 15-minute parking spots on Grand River. Josh Rockey will talk to the drug store about this and it may be brought back to the WDDA and Village if Jim chooses.

John Gormley leaves at 6:36 p.m.

TECH Drive Extension Project

No updates.

Downtown Statue

No updates.

Christmas Decorations

DPW has the garland and bows.

Banners

Motion by Kuch, second by Baxter to approve the extra \$85.36 due to the WDDA splitting their order to Agnew Signs.

Ayes: Baxter, Fuller, Kuch, Warner, Rockey.

Absent: Brad Hitchcock, Lawrence (Skip) Horton, Mike Rumsey (ex).

Motion carried.

The WDDA paid half upfront for seasonal banners, then will pay half when the order is complete.

Jessica Kuch is working on tree quotes (Waiting on tree quotes).

Zoom Meetings

After November 18, 2020 if the WDDA holds a Zoom meeting it needs an 18-hour posting, prior to the meeting.

Julie Hath from the Garden Club would like to do flowered trees behind the business park sign.

Welcome Sign – Give Signature Signs until June 2021 to complete sign – if not completed will be rebid.

Business recognition for 2020.

Motion by Baxter, second by Kuch to award M 43 Pizza with the 2020 Business Recognition Plaque and to purchase the plaque from C & S Trophy at a cost not to exceed \$100.

Ayes: Baxter, Fuller, Kuch, Warner, Rockey.

Absent: Brad Hitchcock, Lawrence (Skip) Horton, Mike Rumsey (ex).

Motion carried.

Put the Main Street Project 2021 on the December agenda.

Adjourn

Motion by Warner, second by Baxter to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

Ayes: Baxter, Fuller, Kuch, Warner, Rockey.

Absent: Brad Hitchcock, Lawrence (Skip) Horton, Mike Rumsey (ex).

Motion carried.

Jaymee Hord, MiCPT, CPFIM
Village Clerk/Treasurer
WDDA Recording Secretary