

**ROSCOMMON DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
**BOARD MINUTES**  
**JULY 16<sup>TH</sup>, 2012**

Members Present: Adams, Dodge, Karjalainen, Mires, Nester, Norton, O'Brien, Legg, Schwalm, Spangler, Weiller, Weiss

Others Present: Bob Edwards, Bev Luther, Connie Allen, Janae Ostling, Carol Garlo

Motion by Norton with support from Legg to approve June minutes as presented. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion by Norton with support from Nester to approve Treasurer's report with cash on hand in the amount of \$227,302.82, and with addition of Roscommon County Weekly bill in the amount of \$25 for farm market advertising. All in favor, motion carried.

**DOLLAR STORE**

Discussion on possibly moving the murals to the new Dollar Store building.

**FACADE GRANT**

Motion by Adams with support from Norton to allow the façade grant committee to review grant application for St. Vincent de Paul Society, and move forward. All in favor, motion carried.

**DISTRICT LIBRARY**

Karjalainen reported that the library has been very busy, and there has been discussion on new building going up sooner rather than later. Janae will contact MRP Properties regarding status of wells.

**SOUND SYSTEM**

Connie Allen reported that the sound system worked wonderfully for the parade and the art festival, and she has received all positive feedback regarding the sound.

Chuck Mires reported that he has had a lot of negative feedback on the "look" of the speakers. Chuck wants to figure out a way of shortening the speakers. Board did a show of hands on who is happy with the speakers currently, and the consensus was that the speakers will remain at current height. DDA agreed that they would like to see something different done with the wires.

**FARM MARKET**

Everything is going good, would love to get more veggies.

**RAILROAD PROJECT**

Train has been open two Saturday's now, and they have given around 65 rides. Bob Edwards stated that they are running right on budget. Motion by O'Brien with support by Spangler to approve the Costello bill in the amount of 2,912.23, and the power company bill up to \$1,000.00. All in favor, motion carried.

**WEB CAM COMMITTEE**

There is a marketing study meeting tomorrow at the County.

**SIDEWALK AND STREETSCAPES**

Discussion on sidewalk projects. Weiss reported that the CRAF center may need to replace some sidewalk in front of their building. John Billette is working on the Village sidewalk project. Janae has a phone call into Verdin regarding restoration of downtown clock. Janae will contact Powderworx regarding soda blasting and painting clock.

Motion by Norton with support from O'Brien to allocate up to \$500 to soda blast and paint clock. All in favor, motion carried. O'Brien will contact Sean Bell regarding gold accenting on clock.

**VILLAGE OF ROSCOMMON**

RMRA will now be a six person board, with Sue Jock being appointed as the chair.

**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Art festival was a success. Chamber is looking at holding another business after hours.

Motion by Norton with support from Nester to adjourn meeting at 9:15a.m. All in favor, motion carried.