

ROSCOMMON DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
BOARD MINUTES
November 16, 2015

Members Present: Schwalm, O'Brien, Lippert, Hodges, Adams, Spangler, Weiss, Norton, Anderson, Jock, Legg, Weiler

Excused: Rosczyk

Absent:

Others Present: Dan Fishell, Vickie Sheathelm, Ed & Cathy from Fred's, Cindy vendor from farm market, Mark Larsen.

Motion by Sue Jock with support from Roy Spangler to accept the Secretary's report. All in favor, motion carried. One addition to the treasurer's report for River Festival in the amount of \$1,887.91. Motion by Spangler with support from Phil Weiler to approve the Treasurer's report subject to verification that the bill from Gosling Czubak for \$2,536 is the DDA's and not the village's. All in favor. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE & PUBLIC COMMENT - None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Managers Report – None

Façade Grant – Motion by Roy Spangler second by Kurtis Norton to approve the façade grant for Fred's of Roscommon for new fascia and soffit.

DDA Taskforce – Next meeting December 10th here at the village office. Drug store project is stalled an inspection was done and there is concern with structural walls. There is an open and available liquor license. We would like to come together with a theme at the joint December meeting.

Sidewalks and Streetscapes – Andrea reported decorations are on schedule and will be up in time for Christmas in the Village.

Website – Nothing to report.

Farm Market – Finally done with the market for the year.

OLD BUSINESS

Wallace Park to Hilltop walkway – Nothing new to report.

DDA map update – Still working on this.

Relocating Village Sound System – Kurtis talked to Mark Smith he is too busy to work on it now. He suggested someone out of West Branch at an electronic shop. Kurtis will get to West Branch to see if this guy is interested in the job.

Volunteer/Trustee Service coordinator special project 2015/2016 – John was going to get more information on it.

NEW BUSINESS

Budget for 2016 - Jim reviewed with the board the proposed budget for 2016. There was discussion on what funds to set aside in anticipation for the Hill Top Walkway. The board felt we need to set the funds aside but keep our options open. Motion by Roy Spangler to approve the budget as Jim presented to include \$285,000 in downtown improvements. Second by Kurtis Norton. All in favor, budget approved.

TIF Report – This report has to be completed annually and published in the newspaper. Jim will file, he needs to get some numbers from the village to complete it.

FUTURE PROJECTS

Benches Downtown – We have a lot of benches that are showing wear and need to be cleaned up, painted and placed in better locations. Sue will get a list of who owns them and get with John. A suggestion was made to send letters to the owners to clean them up or we would remove them.

Electric Vehicle Station – Doug brought the idea up again and thinks it would be a good idea to look into.

LIAISON REPORTS

Village – Nothing to report.

Township – The Township is getting a new fire truck. Discussing a lot of blight issues.

Chamber – Poker walk for Christmas in the village. Turkey raffle going on in the businesses.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:24. Motion by Norton. Support by Spangler. All in favor.