

CITY OF HANCOCK  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
MINUTES OF JUNE 5, 2017

The regular DDA monthly meeting was called to order by Chairperson Pete Wickley on Monday, June 5, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall with the following members present: Jordan Johnson, Lisa McKenzie, John Diebel, Pete Mackin, Pete Wickley.

Absent: Jeff Lang, Jon Luse, Jr., Kathy Johnson and Steve Zutter

It was moved by Diebel and seconded by J. Johnson to approve the agenda.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

It was moved by Makin and seconded by McKenzie to approve the May 1, 2017 minutes.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

Public Comments: None

Updates/Information

- Noted that the old Eagles Club building located at 205 Michigan Ave. and a house located at 1108 Park St. will be up for sale at the County tax foreclosed auction held on August 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Reviewed the City's SEV and Taxable value for 2017 and noted that SEV increased 14.58% following the reappraisal but the taxable value increased only 1.62%
- Looked over the Hancock Canal Rock schedule for the Friday night summer concerts at Porvoo Park.
- Reviewed the June 24<sup>th</sup> schedule of events for the 2017 JUHANNUS Festival
- Reviewed a MDOT release on speed limit increases from 55 to 65 MPH on selected U.P. highways, and to 75 on some interstates
- Reviewed recycling data through April
- Noted the contractor is working on cleaning and televising sanitary sewers through mid-July in the City.
- Looked over a letter signed by the Michigan Congressional delegation supporting the relocation of the Isle Royale National Park Headquarters to the Quincy Smelter site in Ripley.
- Looked at the upcoming MDOT projects:
  - in 2018 repaving US41 from Lake Annie Rd. to Calumet
  - in 2019 repaving US41 Quincy Hill from Scott St. to Lake Annie Rd.
  - 2021 reconstruct US41 College Ave. in the City of Houghton
- Noted the City Council will hold a public hearing on June 21, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. on the status of White St., now one way up.

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-Heard that the roof repair at the old Hardware store in the 200 block of Quincy St. has been completed.

The DDA Board received detailed updates on the following construction projects:

-MDOT Front St., water distribution improvements, and MDOT Hancock St. four new bump outs.

Mark Elmer presented the DDA Board with his proposed color selections for repainting 315 Reservation Street apt. building.

It was moved by McKenzie and seconded by J. Johnson to cancel the July 3<sup>rd</sup> DDA Meeting.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

Mark Elmer was present to provide the DDA Board with his color selection for new windows at his building "The Bank" apartments located at 100 Quincy St. The color selected would be heritage brown. The façade grant application for this building was tabled until this meeting to review the window color selection.

It was moved by Mackin and seconded by J. Johnson to authorize up to a \$10,000 one to one matching façade grant to Mark Elmer for new replacement windows located at 100 Quincy St.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

The DDA Board received a façade application from Mark Johnson for the Gartner's Gallery building located at 115 Hancock St., the project would include new siding, new faux stone columns, new paint and concrete entrance work.

It was moved by McKenzie and seconded by Mackin to approve up to a \$10,000 façade grant with a one to one match for the Gartner's Gallery building located at 115 Hancock St.

AYES: McKenzie, Diebel, Mackin and Wickley

NAYES: None

ABSTAIN: J. Johnson

Motion Carried

Mark Elmer, owner of 315 Reservation Apt. building was present to request an additional façade grant for exterior foundation work estimated to cost \$9,500.

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It was moved by Mackin and seconded by J. Johnson to table the add'l façade grant request for 315 Reservation St. until the August 7<sup>th</sup> meeting.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

Pete Mackin gave the DDA Board an update on the UP Energy situation.

Mark Elmer invited members to tour the remodeled “ The Bank” apartment building located at 100 Quincy St.

It was moved by J. Johnson and seconded by Diebel to adjourn at 6:30 p.m.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Anderson  
Secretary Pro-Tem