# DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2022

## Regular Meeting:

Call to Order: Chairperson Jonathan Luse at 5:01 PM

Present: Paul LaBine, Jonathan Luse, John Diebel, Steve Patchin, Andy Lahti, Michele Blau, Steve Zutter, Randy

Heinonen – Quorum present

Absent: Bob Frantti

Others in attendance: Ron Blau, Leah Polzien, Mary Babcock, Deb Mann

### Regular Meeting:

Motion by Member Diebel and seconded by Member Zutter to approve the agenda as presented.

Yes: All No: None

**Motion Carried** 

Public Comment: None

Motion by Member Blau and seconded by Member Patchin to approve the November 1, 2021 meeting minutes.

Yes: All No: None

**Motion Carried** 

#### Updates/Information:

- Rapid EV Charger Letters of Support from MDOT. Financial support from UPPCO and EGLE for Level 3 Rapid Charger.
- Related training opportunities are available for all committee members for continuing education. Please review and request registration from <a href="mailto:treasurer@cityofhancock.net">treasurer@cityofhancock.net</a> or <a href="mailto:manager@cityofhancock.net">manager@cityofhancock.net</a> .
- Website is now live. Feedback is positive.
- At Large Council seat open with term expiring 11/2022
- Commission openings: ZBA opening with term ending 01/31/2023.

Board of Review with term ending 12/31/2023

Rental Code Board of Appeals term ending 02/28/2023 Hancock Resident

- Public hearing and meeting of Zoning Board of Appeals scheduled for 2/10/2022 at 6:00 pm in City Council Chambers for a) setback variance at 1225 Minnesota Street and b) Use variance at 308 Quincy Street
- There will be a joint meeting of the City Council, Planning Commission and the DDA scheduled for Monday, March 7, 2022 at 6:00 pm. Location is to be determined.
- Brochure updated with appropriate branding for new residents to the City of Hancock

- Events sponsored by City of Hancock Sledding Party successful with great turnout 1/15/2022
  - Skating Party scheduled at Laurn-Grove on 2/13/2022
  - Sled dog rides scheduled on 3/19/2022 Location TBD
- Spark Plug awards Greg Budweg and Deb Mann nominated/ Banquet 3/3/2022 MUB

Old Business: None

#### **New Business:**

1) Motion was made by Member LaBine and seconded by Member Zutter to approve support of the "From the Ground, Farmers Market Collective" with a cost not to exceed \$5000 per year.

Abstain: Blau

Aye: 7 No: None

Motion Carried

2) Motion made by Member Zutter and seconded by Member Diebel to approve support of the Pewabic/ Celtic House project at 222 Hancock Street in the grant process.

Aye: All No: None

Motion Carried

3) Motion made by Member Patchin and seconded by Member Heinonen to approve the DDA Façade grant application for 820 Quincy Street in the amount of \$10,000.

Abstain: Blau, Lahti and LaBine

Aye: 5 No: None

**Motion Carried** 

4) Motion made by Member Blau and seconded by Member LaBine to advance Stephen Smith the amount of \$5,000 for Key Ingredients and request that he come before the DDA to discuss the remainder of the proposed budget for the event.

Aye: All No: None

**Motion Carried** 

## Adjournment:

Motion made by Member LaBine and seconded by Member Zutter to adjourn the meeting at 5:32 PM

Date: 2/7/2022

Aye: All No: None

**Motion Carried** 

Respectfully submitted:

Deborah Mann, DDA Coordinator

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