

City of Beaverton DDA

Regular Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2020

Present: Chair Scott Govitz, Amy Dull, Heath Kaplan, Joe Andrist, Mayor Ray Nau, Jason Blades

Absent: Kevin Neville, Kurt Grove, Steve Broka, Tom O'Brien, Becky Cook

Meeting was opened by Mayor Ray Nau at **5:16pm** via Zoom online meeting hosted by Govitz.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of March 2020: Motion by Nau, and support by Blades, All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Bank balance for the month is \$16,350.77 and bills for the past two months totaled \$6,075.56 and \$87,053.48 for two months. Motion by Nau, Support by Dull, All Ayes, Motion Carried.

Trailhead Project Updates: Payment has been made to Pete's Contracting. City portion was added. Joe Andrist questioned if there was going to be an additional dock at boat launch. Kaplan said it was not in the original design by Lapham, so it was designed and built to specifications. Nau agreed there needs to be a boat dock near the launch and said he will take options to council on Monday, July 20, 2020 about adding another dock. Govitz questioned the empty kiosk. Kaplan explained its up for grabs for possible marketing. Anyone can submit ideas to [hkaplan@beavertonmi.org](mailto:hkaplan@beavertonmi.org). Funds are still being raised to cone t the trail, with the potential of it beginning in 2021.

St Gobain and related projects update: St Gobain is fully finished inside and still working on outside. Deed to land is to be signed off for Industrial Project to go out to bid. Landscaping and sidewalk will possibly be done in Fall 2020. Completion due to be complete by December 31, 2020. Glidden Road bids are in, USDA possible loan to cover higher than expected bids. Saginaw Street was underbid by \$300,000 and the Glidden Road project was bid approximately \$249,000 higher than expected.

Neighborhood Enhancement Program NEP grant update: Block Grant on hold to carry through City Trail due to COVID-19. Sharon Campbell is currently working on cleaning up the list to see who can potentially be eligible. There are three strong potential homes off hand. One home has had a lot of interior work already done, so exterior funds could go far. Contractors are backlogged will into the next year because of COVID-19 and the flooding experienced between Gladwin and Midland Counties.

MSHDA modular home program update: 455 Lang Street had a cash offer that was turned down by the State because their income was greater than the maximum allowed per MSHDA guidelines. The home has had many inquiries and showings, along with over one thousand views of the home on Zillow. Govitz questioned homes built versus sales of homes in the area and pointed out signs and exposure that it is not receiving. Marketing needs to increase, but the income threshold also seems to be a restriction. There is a real estate agent working on the sale of the Tonkin Street house.

RESO CTE home construction update: Next house to be built will be in the City of Gladwin.

118 Doane Street Property update: Kaplan will work with Christy to demo the home and remove. Possible home for sale on W Brown Street. It is a newer home, so it may not have any asbestos to be removed from it. Goal is to remove before the snow. (118 Doane)

MEDC COVID Business Relief grant program updates: We were unsuccessful in obtaining the grant. There was a restart program announced, applicants can reach out to Bob Balzer.

Grove is in the process of updating his building façade. Was unable to attend meeting to provide progress.

Marketing: Think of ideas for marketing.

Accept Resignation of Becky Cook: Motion made by Nau, Support by Andrist, All Ayes, Motion carried.

Due to no other business to discuss, motion was made by Ray Nau for adjournment and support by Scott Govitz – All Ayes. Meeting adjourned, **6:16pm**.