City of Beaverton DDA

Regular Meeting Minutes

August 14, 2023

Meeting was opened by David Shears at 7:00 PM at the Beaverton City Hall

Roll Call:

Present: Mayor Nau, Secretary, Renee Lang, Cindy Trumble, Jason Blades, Lou Stornello, Kurt Grove, Kelly Wyrembelski, and City Manager Scott Govitz

Absent: Cindy Trumble, Chair, David Shears, and Christine Gerace

City Staff: Jodie Klamer

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes dated July 10, 2023, Motion by Blades, supported by Lang. All ayes, motion carried.

Financial Reports: Motion to approve financial report by Grove, supported by Stornello. All ayes, motion carried.

New Business:

- The city went with Statewide Surveying bid \$850 for the Huntington Bank parking lot. The other company's bid was over \$1,000. Statewide Surveying will have a crew out there this week. Govitz notified Huntington Bank.
- Govitz wrote a grant to Consumer Power for quarter of a million dollars. One part of the grant involves the facade side of Beaverton Hardware facing M-18 to dress up the dented area and perhaps have art work. This is only a letter of intent, and we would need to be invited to submit fully.
- There was a discussion regarding the DDA being the support agent for the lights on buildings at Christmas. In the past, the Christmas lights somehow ended up in the city budget. The lights usually go up in November. We did move it into the DDA budget this year assuming it is going to be around \$7,500. The consensus was that the DDA likes the look of the lights and want it to continue. We will discuss it at the next meeting. Jodie will contact Santa's Light Crew for a zoom meeting to discuss this further so that we can all learn more about the agreement and plan longer term.

- Govitz discussed Community Development Block Grant via the MEDC for a variety
 of community improvement projects relating back to the flood of 2020 and
 mitigation efforts and to support the low to moderate income parts of the
 community. Nau visited homeowners on Tonkin Street to explain what the grant
 would do around the community but especially Tonkin St. and adjoining streets
 with storm water mitigation and to gather comments or opinions. There are
 three counties in Michigan that were designated to submit for grant dollars for
 projects related to the flood of 2020 including Gladwin County. No questions
 were presented on the project, but a consensus of support for the project grant.
- Govitz discussed the Whittington Project at the end of Tonkin and the need to complete Tonkin Street for the building of homes. That's a bonus if the grant is received. Even if not received the city must somehow begin construction of that street to dead end.

Old Business:

- DNR corner of Pearson Street and M-18 Improvement Grant contract has been signed with the Engineer, Fleis and Vanderbrink. The work has begun with the engineering firm. Grove asked if the project would be scaled back, and it will because of increase in costs. Some decisions will need to be made upon full design.
- DDA property that is still for sale 437 Ross Street. The single-family property on Doane Steet sold.
- Wyrembelski's are withdrawing their Façade Improvement Application request until a later date.

All voting aye, meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM Respectfully submitted,

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