

Cheboygan Main Street DDA Regular Board Meeting Tuesday August 2, 2022 6:00pm City Hall Council Chambers ***MINUTES***

- 1. Call to Order at 6:00pm by Chairman Villaneuva
- 2. **Roll Call** Members Present: Crongeyer, Eckhart, Khan-King, Mallory, Stempky, Stritmatter, Villanueva. Members Absent: Costin, Tebo. Staff Present: Schneider, Sangster
- 3. **Consent Agenda:** Motion to approve consent agenda as presented by Khan-King, seconded by Crongeyer. All in favor, motion carries unanimously.
- 4. **Treasurer's Report** Bobie Crongeyer. Revenues for the month \$11,500.00. Expenses for the month \$37, 564.73. Ending balance \$414,127.62. No questions regarding the financial reports.

5. Committee Updates

- a. Outreach Committee Bobie Crongeyer, no outreach committee meeting in July, Crongeyer and Schneider have visited downtown businesses regarding the 2022 Holiday Catalog and have begun the process of putting it together. It is expected to be ready to distribute in October.
- b. Placemaking Committee Anna Sangster, no placemaking committee meeting in July. Schneider shared that placemaking chair and she are preparing for the Scarecrow Stroll and beginning to organize Light Up Local for December.
- c. Events Committee Christine Khan-King reported that the events committee met earlier in the day. It was brought up at the event committee meeting that it was mentioned it would be nice to have more board crossover among the committees. The Labor Day Bridge Walk event committee headed up by Mary Darling is in need of volunteers for the day of the event, donations of bottled water are being accepted and an be dropped off at City Hall. We need to keep encouraging volunteers for all committees as it seems the same volunteers are doing the majority of the work. Crongeyer requested that board members be added to the committee's email lists so that they know when the committee meetings are be held. Mallory inquired about the Main Street e-newsletter, and Schneider shared that it was sent in June, and another one will be sent in the next couple of days. Schneider is working on getting the newsletter out on a regular basis. Khan-King
- d. Business Development Committee no chair at this time

6. Reports

- a. City Manager's Report Dan Sabolsky, City Manager. Sabolsky was not present, Schneider shared on behalf of Sabolsky that the City did not receive the CDBG (block grant) for the Huron Street water/ sewer project. Schneider also shared that Chief Jones is retiring on the 11th of August and there will be a retirement party for him at the City Fire Station on Tuesday August 9th from 4pm to 6:30pm and all board members are encouraged to stop by.
- b. City Council Report Brett Mallory, Mayor Pro Tem. Mallory reported that the Historic Resource Commission made an ordinance change that would allow the Commission to tap into more funding for Historic properties. The Majestic Riverview Park committee asked for approval to place a mural on a to be installed fence in the pocket park. Mallory also shared that the Parks



and Rec Commission wants to work on Felix Merchant Park, and looking into better advertising for services provided by parks and rec department. He also shared that the City is putting out requests for legal services, Stephan Lindsey has one year left on his contract, and the City needs 3 year contracts. Regarding the wastewater treatment plant, Senator Stabenow has requests 3 million in appropriations at the Federal Level for our plant.

- c. CEDAM Report Anna Sangster. Sangster working the primary election, nothing new from CEDAM reported by Schneider.
- d. Director's Report Polly Schneider, Executive Director. Discussed updating the DDA ordinance. The current ordinance is outdated as it references the original public act, PA 197. This act was repealed and replaced in 2018 with PA 57. Schneider suggests that we request to repeal and replace our current ordinance with one that sites the current public act and does not have the by-laws written within the ordinance. Several other DDA's have ordinances like this, which makes any amendments to by-laws easier for both the DDA and City Council, right now any amendments to by-laws most be made as an amendment to the ordinance.

7. New Business

a. Vibrancy Microgrants -

Motion to consider approval of Cheboygan Area Arts Councils Vibrancy Microgrant in the amount of \$500.00. by Stritmatter. Owen Goslin, Director of the Arts Council reiterated the progress on the new mural that will be installed in Washington Park.

Motion to approve the Vibrancy Microgrant application for Cheboygan Area Arts Council in the amount of \$500.00 by Eckhart. Motion seconded by Stempky. All in favor, motion carries unanimously.

<u>Façade Grants</u> – Application for review and possible action, Sue Schoenith, Scoops

Motion to consider approval of Façade Grant for Scoops, by Mallory. No discussion.

Motion to approve the application from Scoops for Façade Grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 by Eckhart, seconded by _____. All in favor, motion carries unanimously.

- 8. **Public Comments,** Owen Goslin, Director of the CAAC thanked the board for the approval of the Vibrancy Microgrant.
- 9. **Request for Future Agenda Items** by Eckhart. Contingency plans for Events, and Ice Skating Rink at Festival Square. Schneider will invite Scott Hancock from Parks and Rec to attend the August meeting to answer questions about the Festival Square Ice Rink.
- 10. **Board Member Comments**, no comments from Board members.
- 11. Adjourn, motion to adjourn by Stempky, Seconded by Khan-King at 6:26pm