

CITY OF STANDISH  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
OCTOBER 12, 2021  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
399 E BEAVER ST.  
STANDISH, MI 48658

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Dennis Wiltse called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Dennis Wiltse, DDA Chairman

Kevin King, Mayor

Eric Richardson, DDA Member

Dennis Whitney, DDA Member

Karen Tremble, DDA Member

Shayna Castle, DDA Member

Ryan Klenk, DDA Member

Heather Mori, DDA Member

ABSENT

Kim Hadd, DDA Member

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor King added *Item A: Smart 911 App* under new business.

**MOVED** by Dennis Whitney and supported by Kevin King to approve the updated agenda. Motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**MOVED** by Dennis Whitney and supported by Eric Richardson to approve the minutes of August 3, 2021. Motion carried.

5. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT

**MOVED** by Dennis Whitney and supported by Eric Richardson to approve the presented financial report.

6. OLD BUSINESS

A. The DDA welcomed new board members, Ryan Klenk and Heather Mori.

B. Dennis Whitney brought in a banner that had recently fallen apart, stating any future banners needed to be high quality material.

Kevin King stated he spoke with Curt Hillman regarding Veterans Banners being put up at Depot. Hillman was worried about overlap with Christmas décor and inquired about payment for use of space. Ryan Klenk said banners could be put up outside the Arenac Community Center if more locations were needed.

The current Veterans Banners are set to be up by the end of the week but by October 25<sup>th</sup> at the latest.

**MOVED** by Dennis Whitney and supported by Kevin King to move forward with the sale of new Veterans Banners. Motion carried.

**MOVED** by Kevin King and supported by Dennis Whitney to purchase 24 new summer banners. Motion carried.

C. Klenk informed the DDA that he has not received many pictures to possibly use for the downtown billboard. He suggested the board decide which type of route they would like to go with the billboard, such as historic or some other aesthetic. DDA members recommended putting requests for pictures on the city Facebook page. Ultimately, the members decided the billboard does not need to be changed seasonally as long as it remains in good shape.

## 7. NEW BUSINESS

A. Mayor King informed members of an app called Smart 911 that is being utilized by the county to issue notifications for emergencies. Residents could sign up and be informed of things such as emergencies, power outages, or brush pickup.

## 8. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Dennis Whitney stated that there was great weather for Depot Days this year. The Christmas parade is scheduled for November 26 and the Santa Train is scheduled for December 11.

B. City Manager Mason told members that Council had decided business owners should be responsible for weed removal outside businesses, as it is only fair as residents are in charge of weed removal. Shayna Castle stated she believed the City needs to inform residents of this policy change and also stated she does not agree with it. Eric Richardson inquired about supplying more funding to the weed removal process. Mason said weeds will be monitored under the current grass ordinance. There will be no further business to be brought before the board. Wiltse adjourned the meeting at 1:50 p.m.

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Kelsey Adkins  
City Clerk