

**Downtown Development Authority
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
April 5, 2024**

Meeting called to order at 7:47am by Chairwoman Westervelt.

Members present: Kelly Cornford, Victoria Devereaux, Joe Kline, Nicole Risch, Jennifer Rosser-Nesbit, Kathy Westervelt, and Lorie Wille

Members absent: Ginderske

Others Present: Hartmann Aue and Nannette Pretzer

Motion by Rosser-Nesbit, second by Risch to accept the agenda. Motion carried.

Motion by Rosser-Nesbit, second by Cornford to approve the payment of claims. Motion carried.

Motion by Rosser-Nesbit, second by Kline to approve the March 1, 2024 D.D.A. minutes. Motion carried.

The D.D.A. reviewed the St. Charles Masonic Lodge Façade Grant Application. They are requesting \$13,000 to replace shingles with steel at the Bead Shop, Hair Dresser, and Nail Salon according to their application. Motion by Cornford, second by Risch to approve \$6,500 toward the improvements. Motion carried. Motion by Kline, second by Rosser-Nesbit to encourage the Masonic Lodge to coordinate color scheme with the neighboring St. Charles District Library.

With the unfortunate passing of Karen Wood, the D.D.A. has a vacancy on the Authority. The D.D.A. received two interested parties wishing to receive an appointment. One person was in attendance and therefore was nominated. Motion by Risch, second by Kline to appoint Nannette Pretzer to the D.D.A. Motion carried with Rosser-Nesbit abstaining due to personal relationships with both individuals.

The D.D.A. now has twenty-eight flowering pots to decorate downtown. Last year, John Dusek encouraged the D.D.A. to purchase potting soil from Al-Par Peat in Ovid Elsie. Aue reached out to individuals from Al-Par who agreed to provide the 2023 order at the same price from the previous year. Motion by Rosser-Nesbit, second by Pretzer. Motion carried.

Beautification Day, the Easter Egg Hunt, and Village Building vacancies were briefly discussed.

No public comment occurred.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 a.m. Motion by Risch, second by Kline. Motion carried.

Respectfully,


Hartmann Aue