

REGULAR DDA MINUTES

July 18, 2012

5:00 PM

Jack Smith called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM.

Present: Chairman Jack Smith, Ed Smith, Teresa Bonifield and Jessica Bills.

Absent: Cindy Paletis, Mary Stanton, and Tom Sawdey

Also Present: Clerk, Susan Ballinger

Approval of Minutes –Ed moved to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2012 Regular Meeting, supported by Teresa. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's Report – Teresa moved to approve the Treasurer's Report in the amount of 1,814.72 seconded by Jessica. Motion Carried.

Unfinished Business:

Promotion for Hawthorne Heights- Jack stated that he has a meeting with a couple of module home business men that I had gave information to about Hawthorne Heights lots and they questioned what the hookup fees are for water and sewer. Clerk, Ballinger has given me that information for me to pass on to the business owners. Jack is hoping that they will be interested in our lots and promote them to their customers.

Confirm Sweet Corn Days contribution from DDA or City – Jack asked when the DDA would receive their revenue from taxes coming in and after some discussion they board receives that money in September and February. After some discussion amongst the board members regarding finances Jessica moved to commit up to \$2,500.00 to the Sweet Corn Day Festival providing the funds are available to spend, seconded by Teresa. Motion Carried.

New Businesses:

Library Passes- Teresa moved to participate in the Litchfield's Library free pool pass program and to reimburse the city for the 2012 pool passes up to 50 passes, seconded by Jessica. Motion Carried.

Jessica asked what it would take to have some new streetlights extended further downtown going towards Jonesville. Ed stated that Manager, Terry wanted to add new lights going in both directions on M-99. The manager did not put anything in the budget this year for the lights because we are unsure what's going to be happening with the State cutting back. Teresa asked well are the new streetlights eventually going to be added or are they not in the future. Ed stated that they are high on the manager's list to have installed when the city can put them in the budget.

Bills for Approval – None

Teresa stated that she has received nothing but positive feedback from the public on the historical photos. Jack stated the Industrial Corporation has paid for the labor that went into painting the building just in case there are any questions on that matter.

Jack talked about the nature trails surrounding the city on the farms and maybe try and have a nature adventure or something. Ed stated most people are hesitant due to liability.

Jack also would like to have some type of kayak adventure down the Saint Joe River and have Teresa could lead these trips. Jack stated the water has been cleaned up. Ed stated to keep watch that he believed that there is some federal funds for the Saint Joe River for cleanup.

Jack asked Jessica how the baseball season went, Jessica stated fine. The board talked about some Purdy funds possibly becoming available soon.

Adjourn – Jessica moved to adjourn at 6:05pm, supported by Ed. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Susan Ballinger, Clerk