

Downtown Development Authority

January 8, 2021

The special meeting of the Downtown Development Authority was held on January 8, 2021 at City Hall, 200 S Main St, Eaton Rapids, MI 48827, and via Zoom.

Chairman McNabb called the meeting to order at 7:02am.

Present were Chairman McNabb (Zoom), Mayor Malewski (in-person), and Board Members Booher (in-person), McGee (Zoom), Lindow (Zoom), and Willey (Zoom). Vice Chairman DeFrance joined at 7:45am (zoom). Absent – Secretary Carducci and Board Member Babbitt.

Also, present - Executive Director Smith (in-person), Councilperson Pam Colestock (Zoom), Councilperson Gary Wichman (Zoom)

A motion by Lindow, supported by Booher to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion by Lindow, supported by Booher to approve the consent calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion regarding moving the start time of the DDA meetings in 2021 was held. The consensus from the board was to leave the start time at 7am.

A motion by Booher, supported by Lindow to approve the 2021 DDA Board Meeting Calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion by Malewski, supported by McGee to retain the slate of officers for the 2021 calendar year. Motion carried unanimously.

A discussion took place about the DDA Farmer's Market needs. Dates and times seem to work well. There was discussion about allowance of a wider option of vendors.

A motion by Booher, supported by McGee to approve the dates and times of operation for the DDA Farmer's Market. Motion carried unanimously.

The board discussed the design, outreach, and economic vitality goals and objectives for 2021.

A motion by Lindow, supported by Booher to approve the 2021 Façade grant scope and timeline. Motion carried unanimously.

A Discussion regarding the 2021-22 budget, the board was made aware of the budget timeline.

Executive Director Smith provided an update on COVID health, Moo-Ville ER's opening, Horner Mill project, and the draft language of the food truck ordinance.

Motion by Lindow, supported by DeFrance to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:15am.