

**DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
CITY OF WHITE CLOUD**
12 N. Charles Street, White Cloud, MI
Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2019

1. Call Meeting to Order & Roll Call

The Regular Meeting of the White Cloud Downtown Development Authority was held on the above date at the White Cloud City Offices. Chairperson Dan Abid called the meeting to order at 7:17 P.M.

Present: Chairperson-Dan Abid, Don Barnhard, Jamie Denslow, Bob Scarlavai, Jamie Steffes

Absent: Gary Anderson, Ryan Maike, Eric Rosenberg

Also Present: City Manager Lora Kalkofen

Public Present: None

2. Set/Amend Agenda

Moved by Denslow and **Seconded** by Scarlavai to amend and approve the agenda of May 9, 2019.

Ayes: All **Nays:** None **Motion Carried**

3. Invocation lead by Steffes

4. Pledge of Allegiance

5. Public Comment - None

6. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Barnhard and **Seconded** by Scarlavai to approve the meeting minutes of April 29, 2019 as presented.

Ayes: All **Nays:** None **Motion Carried**

7. Financials

DDA was presented with the bill listing for April 2019 totaling \$17,300 for DDA portion of LED runway lights at the Airport.

Treasurer Report

DDA was presented with the Treasurer Report. Cash summary report shows savings, CD's at Independent Bank and Gerber Federal Credit Union and cash totaling \$62,610.04.

Moved by Scarlavai and **Seconded** by Barnhard to approve the Bill Listing and Treasurer Report as presented.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Abid, Barnhard, Denslow, Scarlavai, Steffes

Nays: None

Absent: Rosenberg, R. Maike, Anderson

Abstained: None

Motion Carried

8. Unfinished Business

a. 10 Ideas/Dreams

Short term:

Begin with small, achievable goals. RRC training for DDA members. Dress up "Welcome corner" with flowers & pots. Business welcome packets.

Update the City website, promote vacant and for sale properties, links to area business and River Country Chamber of Commerce.

Long term:

Begin thinking about what is going to happen downtown, get rid of the eyesores and begin developing. Find revenues to accomplish the long-term goals.

- b. **Attendance policy:** The current wording has not been changed, clarified the Mayor is the one who appoints by recommendation and with two unexcused absences that could result in Mayor replacing the seat with viable people who are able to serve and help move business of the city forward.

9. New Business

a. Resolution 2019-01 Budget Amendments FY 2018/19 Budget

Budget amendments for the 2018/19 Fiscal Year budget resulting in \$8,300.00 expenditures being amended to cover additional cost to DDA Fund 271.

Moved by Scarlavai and **Seconded** by Barnhard to FY 2018/19 Budget amendments.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Steffes, Scarlavai, Denslow, Barnhard, Abid

Nays: None

Absent: Rosenberg, R. Maike, Anderson

Abstained: None

Motion Carried

b. Resolution 2019-02 DDA Budget FY 2019/20

Resolution 2019-02, DDA Budget FY2019/20 is a balanced budget which is required by State.

Moved by Scarlavai and **Seconded** by Steffes to Resolution 2019-02, accept and approve the DDA Budget FY 2019/20 as stated.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Steffes, Scarlavai, Denslow, Barnhard, Abid

Nays: None

Absent: R. Maike, Anderson, Rosenberg

Abstained: None

Motion Carried

10. Sidewalks & Streets

No update.

11. Chamber Update

Chamber will have a regular meeting next week.

12. Airport

Airport committee submitted to Council for consideration to continue association with Mead & Hunt, the engineers currently on record. Airport is closed to traffic now; lighting project will be about 3-3 1/2 weeks. LED lighting structures will be new, beacon pole will be installed sometime in June-July.

13. Public Comment

Denslow speaking for Council and asking the opinion of DDA on Recreational Marijuana business in the City.

Abid is for conservative Recreational Marijuana business in the City.

Scarlavai is opposed to Recreational Marijuana within the City.


Barnhard has reservations on the Recreational Marijuana in the City.

Denslow is for Recreational Marijuana business in the City, using Zoning as a control.

14. Correspondence – None

15. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the DDA, Barnhard **Moved** to adjourn, **Seconded** by Scarlavai to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 PM.


Lora Kalkofen,
Recording Secretary
Approved: 6/13/19