

JANUARY 8, 2021
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF BANGOR
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MINUTES

Present was Dr. Lee Newton, Glenn Rowley, Cristen Gignac, Kevin Peil, Brenda Rowley, Mike Thelen, Barb Behmlander, Sandra Covaleski, Jeff Mayes.

Also present Richard Sheppard and Karie Wardynski.

The January 8, 2021 Regular Meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. pursuant to the Zoom invitation by Chairman Newton.

The meeting was then open for public input. No one from the public addressed the Board, public input was closed at approximately 8:01 a.m.

Discussion regarding the November 6, 2020 Minutes and motion by Covaleski, supported by Behmlander to approve the Minutes as corrected at this meeting. All yes. No nays. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report was presented by Wardynski. Motion was made by Mayes, supported by Brenda Rowley to make a budget adjustment to transfer from the DDA debt retirement account \$5,000 to the DDA authority account for contribution to Bay Future. Roll call vote all yes and no nays and no abstentions. Motion carried.

Motion by Behmlander to accept the Treasurer's report and supported by Covaleski. All in favor and motion carried. Motion by Behmlander, supported by Mayes to pay the bills. Roll call vote, all yes and no nays and no abstentions. Motion carried.

Regarding the capital projects, lights and sidewalk update was given by Chairman Newton who indicated within the next month he will meet with the representatives of Bay City Light and Power together with the contractor for the sidewalk in an attempt to get a more exact date when the construction will actually occur. His indication was that the frost laws may prohibit heavy equipment from traveling local roadways and it might be until March or April until construction is started.

Dealing with the sign/community meeting, there was no updates since that was delayed until after the Covid pandemic.

There was no other capital projects to discuss.

Dealing with item 8 on the agenda, the request for development, Chairman Newton indicated that the request from Mr. Buzzard had been withdrawn and there is no longer any need to attempt to prepare a grant and/or loan with regard to that issue. There had been an additional inquiry by the owner/operators of Brann's restaurant for assistance in constructing a drive through lane and window and perhaps putting in outdoor seating. There was a form letter for application sent to the requestor at Brann's and a reply has not been forthcoming. Ms. Covaleski indicated that the Planning Commission had approved the drive through for Brann's restaurant several months ago and the DDA is simply awaiting the appropriate application.

Item 9 Niswander Environmental had sent an email in late November 2020 indicating that they had been focused on performing the mitigation and they were under budget. They reported in 2020 they had sprayed the berm with backpacks and aerial spraying of the dykes for phragmites and had obtained EGLE permits for this purpose. They would give a yearend report within this quarter and hopefully respond to the Chairman's inquiry when it might be appropriate to ask EGLE to discontinue the monitoring.

Item 10 Bay Future report was not given since Mr. Keyes was not in attendance.

Item 11, the Chair indicated that there are 2 members whose terms expire June 30, 2021. Glenn Rowley will determine whether there is interest for those members to continue. There were thoughts about others who might want to be invited, if not being voting members, at least attend some of the meetings and provide input.

Item 12 being other business. Dr. Newton brought up the idea perhaps sending correspondence to all property owners within the TIF district to outline what the DDA has done for them in the past and what is being contemplated currently, as well as seeking input from the DDA property owners on what might be appropriate DDA activities in the future. Dr. Newton will prepare a draft correspondence seeking review from the Board Members and Trevor Keyes for this type of community involvement from property owners within the TIF district.

There being no other business, it was moved by Covaleski and supported by Glenn Rowley to adjourn. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 8:40 a.m.

Richard C. Sheppard
Recording Secretary