

**RECORD OF  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY/GRAYLING MAIN STREET  
PROCEEDINGS REGULAR MEETING HELD ON THE  
10th DAY OF OCTOBER 2024  
1020 CITY BOULEVARD, GRAYLING, MICHIGAN**

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**I. Meeting called to order by Swander 8:30 AM**

**II. Roll Call**

Members Present: Swander, Pettyjohn, Huber, Podjaske, Thompson

Members Absent: LaFontaine, Teeter, Millikin, Wheeler

Also in attendance: Lori McGeorge (City Clerk)

**III. Public Comment**

None

**IV. Approval of Agenda**

**24-031**

**Moved by Podjaske, seconded by Pettyjohn to approve the agenda with adding Item #D, Decorations and Item #E, Trunk or Treat to New Business as well as Item #A, Chair employee to New Business.**

**Roll Call Vote**

**Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0, Absent: 4, Vacancies: 0.**

**Motion Carried.**

**V. Approval of Consent Agenda**

**24-032**

**A. DDA/GMS Regular Meeting Minutes for Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**B. DDA/GMS Special Meeting Minutes for Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Moved by Huber, seconded by Pettyjohn to move the approval of consent agendas from September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to the next meeting.**

**Roll Call Vote**

**Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0, Absent: 4, Vacancies: 0.**

**Motion Carried.**

**VI. Treasurer Report**

A. Podjaske and Swander explained the treasurer report.

## **VII. City Manager Report**

Podjaske explained that SAAB has chosen a location in Grayling Township for their development. There are some developers that will be coming to the next City Council meeting. Sawmill Lofts have obtained their required permits from the county.

## **VIII. Unfinished Business – DDA**

### **A. State of Properties – Downtown Project Updates**

Bear's Den has closed and is up for sale.

### **B. DDA New Year's Eve Fundraiser**

Millikin was not present for updates; however, the Art Gallery's liquor licenses were approved.

### **C. Christmas Walk**

See attached spreadsheet.

### **D. Decorations**

**24-033**

Discussion regarding the purchase of wreaths, lighted garland and LED lights.

**Moved by Pettyjohn, seconded by Huber to move approval of up to \$3,500 for the purchase of Christmas decorations.**

**Roll Call Vote**

**Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0, Absent: 4, Vacancies: 0.**

**Motion Carried.**

### **E. Trunk or Treat**

There will be no charge for Trunk or Treat, but vehicles will need to sign up.

Huber will make a Google form for sign-ups. Need to apply for a multi-use permit to close Peninsular.

## **IX. New Business – DDA**

### **A. Chair Employee**

Discussion was had about putting together a proposal to pay Emily at the Chamber of Commerce to do administrative things for the DDA.

**X. A. Org Committee**

There are no additional updates as Wheeler and Millikin are not present.

**B. Design**

Christmas decorations are being ordered.

**C. EV Committee**

There will be a meeting with developers on Monday.

**D. Promotions Committee**

Christmas parade planning. Harvest Fest went well.

**XI. Community Meetings Update**

**A. CCEDP (Crawford County Economic Development Program)**

No updates.

**B. Historical Museum**

There has been some talk about Shoppenagon's being donated to the Historical Museum.

**C. GPA**

No updates.

**D. Rotary**

A raffle will be taking place for a new pavilion at Hanson Hills.

**E. Chamber of Commerce**

The Chamber will not be buying the building they are in. They saw \$30,000 in profit for the River Festival and will partnering with the DDA for Christmas Walk.

**F. Camp Grayling**

There is a new commander.

**XII. Public Comment**

None.

**XIII. Member Comments**

None.

**XIV. Correspondence**

None.

**XV. Adjournment**

**24-034**

**Moved by Podjaske, seconded by Pettyjohn to adjourn the meeting.**

**Roll Call Vote**

**Ayes: 5 Nays: 0 Abstain: 0, Absent: 4, Vacancies: 0.**

**Motion Carried.**

Swander adjourned the meeting at 9:26 AM