



**DDA Meeting Minutes
Held Via Zoom
7-8-2020**

Members Present: Steinhauer, Demmer, Rhaesa, White-Jenkins , Gocaj, Bender, Chahrour and

Member Absent: Law

Also Present: Lori Gouin, Lori Morrow, John Jackson and Laura Haw

Chairman Steinhauer called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

A motion was made by White-Jenkins, supported by Rhaesa to approve the agenda. Motion carried with a 6-0 roll call vote.

A motion was made by White-Jenkins, supported by Gocaj to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2020 regular meeting. Motion carried with a 6-0 roll call vote.

A motion was made by White-Jenkins, supported by Gocaj to approve the ratification of the following bills: Mckenna \$278, 75 and \$318.75. Motion carried with a 6-0 roll call vote.

Demmer Arrived at 6:32 p.m.

Laura Haw with McKenna presented the new DDA/TIF Plan. Based upon feedback from members of the Board, Haw will make the requested revisions to the Plan. A motion was made by Demmer and supported by White-Jenkins to support following resolution:

Morrow gave a detailed update on the following; 99% of the businesses located within the Main Street boundaries are open and practicing social distancing guidelines. Main Street will be in Derby's Alley on July 11, 2020 during the US 12 Cruise recruiting volunteers.

Gouin reported on the following: Renovations to the former BJ's Kitchen and gave the Dates for free Covid Testing at HYPE.

Board Member Comments: Mayor Rhaesa reported that My Place and Jackson Hewitt on Michigan Ave. had updated their facades. Gouin asked members of the Board if they would be opposed to her taking a Façade Improvement Application to My Place to reimburse them for half of their awning costs. No one opposed. He also commented about the improvements to the Avenue. White -Jenkins inquired about how to report a business not practicing social distancing guidelines, she suggested that members of the Board that wanted to comment on the proposed Drug Rehabilitation facility chime in at the Public Hearing to be held on July 30th. She also let members of the Board know that the DEGC has a new round of grants available. Steinhauer asked Gouin to have Highland look at the Wayne Rd. bunny grass as some of it is dying. Rhaesa also talked about the condition of the front of businesses. White-Jenkins and Demmer felt that there needed to be some outreach done to encourage the Business Owners to enhance their front doors. Gouin suggested that this could be a function of Wayne Main Street.

A motion was made at 7:25 p.m. by Demmer, supported by Rhaesa to adjourn. Motion carried

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