

Manistee DDA Design Committee
May 17, 2018
Chamber of Commerce
Minutes

1. Call to order – Chair

Meeting was called to order at 8 am by Barry Lind

Present: Lind, Jeff Reau, Denise Blakeslee, Colleen Kenny, Kyle Mosher, Shari Wild, Tyler Leppanen

Absent: Stacie Bytwork, Jeff Mikula

2. Approval of Agenda Kyle, Denise

Motion by Mosher supported by Blakeslee to approve agenda as presented. Approved.

3. Public comment. (Limit 5 minutes per person.)

4. Projects Update

a. Parking Signage

Lind updated everyone that the DDA budgeted funds for parking signs but that we will wait until a later time. Blakeslee stated that branding may be part of the Rising Tide Program and that we may be able to tie into the signage.

b. MSU Project

Leppanen updated the group that the next steps would be to get exact designs, costs, and identify how to fund the improvements. There was discussion on the Art Park.

c. Downtown Garbage

Leppanen said that he had talked to Republic about changing the dates of pick up to Tuesday and Friday. Republic would like to meet to discuss any changes. It was recommended that Leppanen meets with Republic, City Manager, and Department of Public Works Director, Mosher offered to be part of the meeting.

d. Facade Grants

Leppanen updated group on what properties are planning to apply.

5. Other Committee Projects Update

a. Landscaping Contract

Leppanen has sent the contract to Mikula for his review and we are waiting to hear back.

b. Blight Concerns

6. Old Business

a. Spring Riverwalk Walkthrough/Blighted Parcels

Walk through scheduled for Tuesday, May 22 at 7:30am. Blight walk through scheduled for June 5 at 8am.

7. New Business

a. MEDC Facade Grant

Leppanen updated the group on the requirements for the MEDC façade grant program. Discussion about which buildings to include in the program.

8. Other

a. Wild asked what we need to do to get trees on River St. Discussion of trees on River St.

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 9am.

10. Next Meeting Thursday June 21st, 8am @ Chamber.

11. Adjournment