

MEETING MINUTES July 18, 2018

Voting Members Present: Philip Koning, Larry Gemmen, Dr. Brad Dykstra, Doug

Butterworth, Mayor Mark Northrup, Greg Slater, Cheryl DeAvila,

Jack Groot, and Ken Jipping.

Non-Voting Attendees: Jan Syswerda, Dan Strikwerda, and Michelle Fare.

Voting Members Absent: Dale Sall.

Non-Voting Absent: Patrick Waterman.

1. Call to Order:

Chairman Koning called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

2. Minutes:

There was a motion by Groot, support by Jipping, and unanimous approval to accept the minutes of the May 2, 2018, May 29, 2018, and June 27, 2018 meetings.

3. Finance:

The financial reports were provided to the board for informational purposes and reviewed by Syswerda. Syswerda shared that she will be submitting a required action plan to the State due to the fact that the DDA is taking out a loan.

4. Fiber Update:

Fare shared that Phase II is currently in the sign up stage. Phase I is expected to be live on August 1.

5. <u>Harvey Street Phase II:</u>

Fare shared that all of the easements have been secured. The underground work has mostly been completed. The work will begin at the west end of Harvey. Businesses affected by the work are on an email update list from the contractor to stay informed.

6. Façade Program Update

Strikwerda shared the original façade program framework. Groot, Koning, and Fare will review in more depth and present any proposed changes in September.

7. <u>Property Acquisition/DNR Grant Application:</u>

Jipping shared an update that the future Village Green property owned by Mark Byker is expected to become available. Fare shared the timeline for the DNR acquisition grants. There was a motion by Dykstra, support by Northrup, and unanimous support to recommend the City Commission moving forward with an acquisition grant application for Phase I of the Village Green. Jipping abstained from the vote.

8. Private Project Updates:

Strikwerda shared updates on DJs Pizza, the Hudson Center, Meijer, and residential developments.

9. Adjourn:

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michelle Fare DDA Director