

**CITY OF AUBURN
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MEETING
MARCH 22, 2011**

President: Steve Van Tol
Vice-President: Archie Macheliski
Treasurers: Bernie Kissane and Steve Van Tol
Secretary: Gary DeShano

Meeting was called to order by Steve at the City Hall meeting room at 10:10.

Members Present:

Roll call: Gary DeShano, Charlie Robinson, Steve Van Tol, Bob Feinauer, Bernie Kissane, Eric Larsen, Mike Snyder, Archie Macheliski

Members Absent or Excused: Mary Williams

Guests:

Ann Macheliski, Dave Eischer regarding ARC, and Paul Drzenicki (McDonald's)

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Items to add to agenda:

None

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Gary and second by Bob to approve the agenda as amended; Motion carried.

Motion to approve the minutes of February 22, 2011, by Bob and second by Eric; Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

- A. Streetscape Plan Review – Steve will look at plans soon, Don is working on a light type
- B. Community Center – Ann and Dave were in attendance to discuss the A.R.C. and much conversation ensued about details and where to get the money, and who would run it. Dave expressed an interest. Mike said Dow companies and foundations might well be contributors.
- C. Sign guidelines – Karen at the City is clearing house
- D. Business Loop – Nothing new
- E. Parking signs – Nothing new
- F. Banners – Archie says he is working on it
- G. Emergency Siren Location – Nothing new
- H. Budget / Public Hearing – Don said we need two readings on the budget. City commission also needs to approve it. Steve says we need separate special meetings, set for April 5, 2011 at 11:00.
- I. Tax Details – all received

J. MEDC Grants – Don is working on it.

New Business

- A. Façade Program –
 - a. Application received from Laser Connection for signage
 - b. Application received from Cunningham Funeral Home for canopy
 - c. McDonald's provided additional information as previously requested
 - d. Auburn Hotel – patio – continuation of project. Requesting DDA to pay for 2 columns as part of streetscape \$1,695 each, total of approximately \$3,400 – this item is held for more detail.
- B. Citizen Representative comments – Charlie said there is a lot of chatter about the A.R.C., some negative. Charlie is also getting conversation about façade program
 - a. Mike suggested we put more information on the website as to what the DDA does. Mike also suggested we create a frequently asked questions pamphlet to give to the public
- C. Freedom of information request – a citizen expressed concern about our organization

Bills submitted for Payment

Motion made by Charlie to pay bills listed on treasurer's report, second by Archie, Roll call vote; Motion carried.

Expenditure Report

Gary made a motion to accept the treasurer report dated March 15, 1011 as printed, second by Charlie; Motion carried.

Member Comments

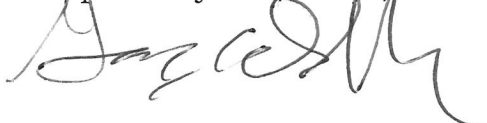
More discussion occurred regarding the A.R.C. and it was suggested that we consider a promoter to promote it. Mike suggested we get a committee to plan and design the center. We need to check other facilities, and get an operator entity.

Public Comment

Next Regular Meeting: April 26, 2011 at 10 a.m.

Motion to adjourn at 11:45 by Gary, second by Bob; Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Gary", written in a cursive style.