

**CITY OF AUBURN
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MEETING
APRIL 26, 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 10:05.

Members Present:

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

Members Absent or Excused: Archie Macheliski

Guests:

Paul Drzenicki (McDonald's)

Pledge of Allegiance was recited

Items to add to agenda:

New Business – D. Treasurer

Approval of Agenda:

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

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

Unfinished Business

- A. Streetscape Plan Review – nothing new, waiting to decide on location and type of lights
- B. Community Center Operating Entity – Mike said the Midland Community Center would like to talk to us and our managing committee. Mike further stated some grants may be available. Mike says our board should make a decision by year end
- C. Sign guidelines – all is working fine
- D. Business Loop – JoElla is working on it
- E. Parking signs – Eric will talk to police about common signs and Eric can help with design
- F. Banners –no news
- G. Emergency Siren Location – no news, Steve said the DDA could consider contributing
- H. Budget / Public Hearing –went well, next meeting on subject on May 2nd, then it will need publishing
- I. Tax Details – done

J. MEDC Grants – Don spoke of possible grants and none seem likely at this time. There might be loans available, or small grants for businesses. The DNR may have recreational funds.

New Business

A. Façade Program – New Requests

- a. Application received from Cunningham-Taylor
- b. McDonald's submitted request – application is complete and eligible for \$20,000

Motion by Bob, second by Charlie to approve \$20,000; roll call vote, Motion carried

- c. Laser connection submitted an application for signage

Motion by Bob, second by Charlie to approve funding for Laser Connection project, \$6181 / 2 = DDA share; roll call vote, Motion carried

- d. Auburn Hotel project proposal as part of streetscape project to install planter, pillars and fence at southwest corner of 9 Mile and Midland Roads

Motion by Eric, second by Charlie to spend up to \$5,000 for this to be audited; roll call vote, Motion carried

B. Citizen Representative comments – Charlie said he interacts with citizens and most are supportive

D. Treasurer – Motion by Charlie, second by Bob, to appoint Mary as new treasurer to replace Bernie; Motion carried

Bills submitted for Payment

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

Treasurer Report

None

Member Comments

None

Public Comment

Paul with McDonald's thanked the Board for help with façade grant.

Next Regular Meeting: May 31, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

Motion to adjourn at 11:20 by Bob, second by Charlie; Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

