# CITY OF HANCOCK DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 10, 2018

The regular monthly DDA meeting was called to order by Chairperson Pete Wickley on Monday, September 10, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall with the following members present: John Diebel, Pete Wickley, Jordan Johnson, Steve Zutter and Jonathan Luse, Jr.

Absent: Kathy Johnson, Pete Mackin, Lisa McKenzie and Randy Neiswonger

Guests/Staff: Jeanne DeClerk. Al McClellan, Ken Ropp, John Haeussler and Glenn Anderson

It was moved by Diebel and seconded by Zutter to approve the agenda, and adding two New Business items, one: consider the 2019 Beautification Committee budget request and two: Al McClellan façade grant application for 308 Quincy St.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

It was moved by Zutter and seconded by Luse, Jr. to approve the August 6, 2018 minutes.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

Public Comments: None

#### Updates/Information

- -Received an update on the \$10.8 million June 17<sup>th</sup> flood damage and efforts to access both FHWA & FEMA funds.
- -Heard Governor Synder has authorized one-half of the required 25% FEMA match will be funded by the State of Michigan. For the City, this is valued at \$940,000.
- -Heard the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association (MITA) called a company lockout on September 4, 2018 related to state wide Operating Engineer's Union 324.
- -Because of the lockout, the City's Small Urban Downtown Repaying project is on hold.
- -Noted the pilings and support pier beams have been installed on the beach dock by Contractor MJO Contracting.
- -Reviewed the draft HB & PA minutes of August 14, 2018
- -Reviewed the low bid from Hebert Construction for \$2,387,969 for the new MDOT Bridge on M-203 over the Swedetown Creek and also M-26 Gooseneck Creek.
- -MDOT hopes to have the new M-203 bridge done by Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, but the lockout could delay the work
- -Heard Bacco Construction was low bid at \$1,098,013 for MDOT flood damage work in the City and the City of Houghton.
- -Welcomed new office location by Life Outreach Center, 300 B Quincy St.

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- -Noted both MI Works and WUPPDR will be relocating their offices to the Lahti Building, 400 Quincy St.
- -Heard the City Council appointed Randy Neiswonger to the DDA Board for a term ending 1-31-2022

The DDA Board reviewed a draft power point presentation to be presented to the MEDC on the proposed redevelopment of the old High School, 417 Quincy St. related to grant funding.

Mark Johnson, doing business as Johnson EAT, LLC, Owner of the Gartner's Center building, 102 Quincy St. applied for a façade grant for \$10,000 to install new first floor windows and doors to the building. He presented a quote from Keweenaw Glass & Door for \$27,156.59

It was moved by Zutter and seconded by Luse, Jr. to approve up to a \$10,000 one to one match to Johnson EAT, LLC for 1<sup>st</sup> floor window and door replacement at the Gartner's Center building, 102 Quincy St.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

Alan McClellan, owner of 308 Quincy St., The Blast from the Past was present to present his application for up to an \$8,000 façade grant to rehab the west and south side of his building, some of it damaged by falling roof snow and ice. Scott Hueter Contracting is the project contractor.

It was moved by Luse, Jr. and seconded by J. Johnson to approve up to an \$8,000 facade grant with a one to one match to Alan McClellan for a building located at 308 Quincy St.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

Jeanne DeClerk and Ken Ropp were present representing the Hancock Beautification Committee for its 2019 budget requests.

This summer, the Committee planted and maintained 32 planters, several daylily beds, 8 hanging baskets and several other planting areas. The Committee hopes to expand the hanging baskets to 18 in 2019. The Committee requested a budget of \$7,389 for planting and maintaining the planters and hanging baskets.

It was moved by Zutter and seconded by Luse, Jr. to authorize the Hancock Beautification budget for 2019 for \$7,389.

AYES: All NAYES: None

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### Motion Carried

Ken Ropp presented one of the 16 snowflakes recently refurbished by the DDA for installation during the holiday season.

It was moved by Luse, Jr. and seconded by Zutter to adjourn at 6:20 p.m.

AYES: All NAYES: None Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Anderson Secretary Pro-Tem