

Village of Fife Lake Present
Downtown Development Association
Meeting Minutes
May 16,2023

Meeting called to order at 6:32pm

Roll Call: Present: Tornow, Prebo, Benke. Patrick, Rosemeier, and Forwerck
Absent: Smith, Hempsted, Magee arrived late

Guest:

Joyce Freiwald: not present at meeting, this will be tabled till next month.

Debbie McCool: Spoke as the chair of the Fife Lake Area Chamber of Commerce. She said that the Farmers Market is starting the weekend of May 22nd and running through the first week of October. She is requesting \$500.00 for the Farmers Market. Patrick made a motion to donate \$500.00 to the Farmers Market. Motion seconded by Prebo. **Roll call:** Forwerck-Y, Benke-Y, Tornow-Y, Prebo-Y, Roesemeier-Y and Patrick-Y. **Motion carried.**

Correspondence: A bill from Explorer 131 North for \$500.00. Motion made by Patrick to pay the \$500.00 to US131 for the year of 2023. Motion seconded by Benke. **Roll Call:** Benke-Y, Patrick-Y, Prebo-Y, Tornow-Y, Roesemeier-Y and Forwerck-Y. **Motion carried.**

Staples sent information on an update on computer security. Forwerck asked the treasurer and co-treasurer to take care of it and to check if it is needed. Roesemeier made a motion to purchase if needed not to exceed \$100.00, Motion seconded by Patrick. **Roll Call:** Prebo-Y, Forwerck-Y, Tornow-Y, Benke-Y, Roesemeier-Y, and Patrick-Y. **Motion carried.**

Public Comment: none

Treasurers Report: The bank statement was passed out to everyone in attendance. Several checks were written, Dollar General- \$19.35 for the open house, The Loons Nest- \$100.00 for the open house, the Chamber of Commerce - \$3500.00 for the 4th of July celebration, Larry Johnson for printing for the open house.in the amount of 148.00, Lone Eagle for tree trimming for 1610.00, They trimmed 45 trees all together, and Fife Lake Inn for \$100.00 for the open house. One check was received for \$1294.81 from the township which was a TIF payment. Patrick made a motion to approve the treasurers report as presented, seconded by Roesemeier. **Motion carried** with all yeas.

Benke left at 6:45pm

New Business

Benches in Pierce Street Park: Forwerck said that benches have deteriorated at Pierce Street Park. This is something that will need to be investigated. They may just need to be stained.

Old Business

MDA Conference: it was decided that the group would not be going to the conference but will be looking forward to going in the fall to the Birmingham conference.

Networks Northwest: Mathew Cook was present to give an update. He gave a handout to everyone with the results of the input session. Mathew has a link to complete a survey for the businesses and residents within the DDA district. There was discussion on improvements in the ballpark. Benches were also discussed along the sidewalks and in Pierce Street Park. There was

discussion on possibly extending the road right of way in the DDA district in the residential areas for the purpose of putting in sidewalks.

Kimmel Building: At this point there will be not further action on purchasing the property.

Fife Lake Family Resort: This RV Park is ongoing. There was discussion that if it falls through the DDA might be interested in purchasing the property and building affordable housing

Bulletin Board: ongoing. Work is being done on it.

Public Comment: none

Board Comments: Patrick would like to see the sidewalks first. He would like to see the sidewalk at the back side of the DNR parking lot. Roesemeier would like to hear from the people in the community. She would like to see a cleanup in town. She said the retaining walls need to be repaired before it becomes a liability.

Motion made by Tornow and seconded by Roesemeier to adjourn at 7:45pm

Respectfully Submitted

Marcia Eby