

CITY OF CASEVILLE  
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING  
May 21, 2024 8:35 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Amy Redwantz, Christopher Stahl, Michael Klaiber, Lou Johnson, Kevin Stachowiak, Lauren Formicola, Jill Rogers and Rob Pillsworth.

Also present: Jamie Learman and Kristen Maust, Secretary.

**MOTION** was made by Pillsworth and supported by Stachowiak to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2024 meeting, motion carried. **8-0 Approved.**

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

Letter from Caseville Chamber thanking the DDA for purchase of the brochures and new banners.

Letter from Lefty's/Beachy's thanking the DDA for the façade grant funding.

Letter from Travis Elenbaum expressing interest in joining the DDA.

**MOTION** was made by Stachowiak and second by Formicola to recommend to the council that Travis Elenbaum join the DDA, motion carried. **8-0 Approved.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

The bank balances were discussed: 2MIL \$57,122.67; TIFA \$385,216.79.

**MOTION** was made by Johnson and second by Stahl to approve the Treasurer's report, motion carried. **8-0 Approved.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Reviewed budget, a **MOTION** was made by Pillsworth and second by Formicola to submit budget to the council, motion carried. **8-0 Approved.**

Fisherman's Cove submitted their completed façade grant for \$ 7, 348.71. **MOTION** was made by Stachowiack and second by Stahl to approve 50% of project total to Fisherman's Cove for façade grant, in the amount of \$ 3,674.36, motion carried. **7-0 Approved.** Redwantz abstained.

Discussed façade grants for the FY2025, the DDA has budgeted \$30,000 towards new applications. Letters to everyone in the DDA district will be mailed out and the same rules will apply. Applicants will have until August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 to get their grant applications in.

New banner font and colors were presented to members, they agreed on a cheeseburger design, but will look into more vibrant colors for the fall banners.

Pillsworth and Formicola are looking into other community's ordinances, regarding blight and empty buildings.

Johnson reported that he has enough volunteers and help with flowers this season and showed members his newly purchased green house.

Kevin Stachowiak left meeting at 8:55 A.M.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Learman discussed the new camera upgrade. He explained the improvements will benefit the community with a wider range and more storage capacity. This new system will make it easier to put additional cameras in different locations, if needed. The cost for the upgrades were \$2,929.96. Learman asked the DDA if they were willing to contribute to this improvement. **MOTION** was made by Pillsworth and second by Klaiber to contribute \$2,929.96 for the new cameras, motion carried. **7-0 Approved.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None

Special Meeting: June 10, 2024@ 5:15 P.M. PUBLIC HEARING AT CITY COUNCIL MEETING FOR SETTING THE TAX MILLAGE RATE AND TO ADOPT THE 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET.

Regular meeting: July 16, 2024 @ 8:30 A.M.

**MOTION** by Johnson second by Stahl to adjourn the meeting at 9:25 A.M. **7-0 Approved.**

  
Kristen Maust, Secretary