

Negaunee Downtown Development Authority Special Meeting January 23, 2023 Minutes

The Negaunee Downtown Development Authority was called to order by DDA Chairman Gary Nelson at 5:31 PM, on January 23rd, 2023. Present were authority Members Gary Nelson, Pete Munson, Ryan Nummela, Blake Becker, Mike Ridenour, and Nate Heffron. Absent: Marybeth Kurtz

DDA Member Ryan Nummela made a motion to approve the minutes from November 28th, 2022. Seconded by DDA Member Pete Munson. Motion Passed.

DDA Member Nate Heffron and Consultant Mona Lang gave an update on the financials.

DDA Member Nate Heffron and Consultant Mona Lang gave an update on the Downtown Enhancement Project.

DDA Member Pete Munson made a motion to table a correction to the board terms for the February meeting. Seconded by DDA Member Mike Ridenour. Motion Passed.

DDA Member Pete Munson made a motion to purchase an ad in the Travel Marquette Magazine for \$1,175.00, Seconded by DDA Member Mike Ridenour. Motion Passed.

DDA Member Mike Ridenour made a motion to sponsor the Ore to Shore event in the amount of \$500.00. Seconded by DDA Member Nate Heffron. Motion Passed.

DDA Member Nate Heffron made a motion to sponsor the Pioneer Days 2023 event in the amount of \$1000.00. Seconded by DDA Member Mike Ridenour. Motion Passed.

DDA Member Gary Nelson made a motion to sponsor the 2023 Michigan Economic Development Association conference being held in Marquette County in the amount of \$600.00. Seconded by DDA Member Nate Heffron. Motion Passed.

DDA Member Nate Heffron, DDA Member Pete Munson, and Consultant Mona Lang gave a brief overview of the financials and overall event of Tinseltown 2022.

DDA Member Pete Munson made a motion to approve Heikki Lunta 2023 expenditures. Seconded by DDA Member Ryan Nummela. Motion Passed.

DDA Member Nate Heffron gave a brief report on the downtown property updates.

Public Comment: Rhonda Gravedoni spoke on concerns about the streetscape project and other event topics, Scott Gravedoni spoke on spoke on concerns about the streetscape project and other event topics. Angelia Gravedoni spoke on concerns about the streetscape project and other event topics.



Board member Comments: Mike Ridenour asked questions about law enforcement for Heikki Lunta and the social district.

The next DDA meeting will be February 27, 2023.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Nate Heffron