

Village of Lincoln
Downtown Development Authority
Meeting Minutes
September 11, 2018

Present: Dennis Kruttlin, Evelyn Good, Karen Godi, Rich Gillies, Eric Monnier, Bob Jones and Phil Jordon
Absent: Joe James, Kathy Schwartz and Mark MacNeil
Guests: None

Call to order: Dennis Kruttlin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: The August 2018 draft meeting minutes previously received by members were reviewed.

Motion by R. Gillies to accept the minutes as presented. Support by E. Good. All agreed, Minutes accepted.

Treasurer Report: The July and August financial reports were reviewed.

Motion by K. Godi to approve both July and August reports subject to audit. Support by R. Gillies. All agreed, Reports approved.

Director Report:

Melissa Hinkson made contact last week and indicated that the ground breaking will not take place in October 2018. Project preparation is taking longer than expected. D. Kruttlin stated that ground breaking on the Alpena project is scheduled for September 19, 2018. D. Kruttlin and J. James are planning to attend.

Dollar General: B. Jones was successful in making contact with a new representative. Bob was able to converse with him via Google Earth to discuss locations in the Lincoln area. The preferred location for the proposed site is on Barlow Road, close to Kris Mart. P. Jordon stated that he has been in communication with this new contact who indicated they were in the process of putting a bid in on some property off Barlow Road. The status on the property should be available soon. If all goes well looking at a spring ground breaking.

Consumers and Viking have agreed on a rate charge but nothing is in writing at this time. Continuing to wait for Hillman plant to come on board and expire at the same time as McBain and Lincoln. The focus is on renewable energy which is what Viking is and Consumers has agreed to it. This would be an energy source that is not solar or wind.

Kevin Brady from Cooper Standard is still out of town but has been staying in contact.

D. Kruttlin stated that he was recently contacted by someone looking for a building to move a plant into, specifics are unknown but he will find out more. Discussion took place about constructing a spec building to have available and ready for use in the instance that someone wants to come to the area quickly.

Old Business –

Redevelopment Ready Communities – P. Jordon stated we are making progress. Phil provided an update. The Planning Committee is meeting later this month to wrap up the Master Plan; K. Godi and A. Zielinski are continuing to work on the website and things are moving along. K. Godi provided an update on the website developments.

Reestablishment of low to moderate designation – P. Jordon will contact NEMCOG and K. Godi stated she has an interested person who could work on it as well.

New Business – None

Village update – P. Jordon stated that on Friday NEMCSA is doing a food distribution at the ARA site and they are looking for volunteers. The distribution will be from 9 a.m to 12:30 a.m. Let Phil know if you are interested in volunteering.

The 25 year plan has been submitted, the post office parking lot will be signed as a one way with an entrance and exit and there will be two more signs added on Barlow Road with hopes to slow the traffic down in that area. Stop signs were discussed; looking at placing two on First Street and Second Street like the flashing solar powered signs located on Walker Road. Phil discussed maintenance on the clock which was installed years ago, it is in need of painting. Phil is looking into having it professionally painted and will bring pricing options to the October meeting.

NEMCSA is looking for a building to replace the warehouse they have in Ossineke. Phil asked if the DDA would be interested in donating property to the agency for construction of a building so they can relocate the warehouse to Lincoln. Phil will make contact to let them know donation of property is an option if they are interested in moving this way.

Adjournment at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Karen Godi, Secretary