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March 6th, 2009

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

The Wyandotte DDA was called to order at 5:32 PM on Monday February 9th, 2009 in the Municipal Service Building, 3005 Biddle Avenue, Wyandotte, MI. Members in attendance included: Mayor DeSana, Chair Greg Gilbert, Patt Slack, Norm Walker, Heatherleigh Navarre, Tony Trupiano, and Gilbert Rose. Ms. Arta Chiparo was not in attendance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Greg Gilbert noted to add two items to the agenda: 4C – wayfinding/signage and 4D – Office Space for the DDA/WBA. Patt Slack motioned to approve both items, seconded by Heatherleigh Navarre, All voted in favor.

Heatherleigh Navarre motioned for approval of the agenda, seconded by Mayor DeSana, all voted in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Gilbert Rose noted that his comment on updated financial information must be made available monthly and that it was omitted from the minutes from the January 12th, 2009 meeting. Tony Trupiano motioned to amend the minutes to include this comment and to approve the minutes, seconded by Mayor DeSana, all voted in favor.

INFORMATION TO RECEIVE AND FILE

Greg Gilbert reviewed the general ledger with discussion on its contents. Tony Trupiano motioned to approve the ledger as presented, Gilbert Rose seconded, all voted in favor.

INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

4A - Peter Rose of the Wyandotte Business Association (WBA) presented a new information tracking system for WBA events and activities.

4B – Jerry Kupser presented to the DDA an opportunity to bury electric utilities in the area of 1st Street and Biddle Street by Oak Street and Chestnut Street. Discussion ensued on the positive benefits of this opportunity. Gilbert Rose Motioned to pay the sum of \$50,000 from the fund balance which will entail \$40,000 to bury utilities and \$10,000 will be allocated to make the Masonic Temple wireless internet ready. Norm Walker seconded, all voted in favor.

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4C – Patt Slack introduced the wayfinding/signage topic and noted that Natalie Rankine would be the best point of contact to handle this issue. Discussion ensued about the importance and timeframe of a project of this nature. Tony Trupiano motioned to have Ms. Rankine identify three different firms who would assist the City in this project, seconded by Heatherleigh Navarre, all voted in favor.

4D – Tony Trupiano brought up the topic of new office space for the DDA & WBA. It was discussed and determined to have further discussion with Mr. Todd Drysdale about this initiative.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the DDA will be held March 9th, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT

Tony Trupiano motioned for adjournment, seconded by Patt Slack, all voted in favor to adjourn.