

Approved Minutes
Village of Manchester
Downtown Development Authority
Regular Meeting
September 18th 2007
7:00 p.m. Village Hall

Members Present: Stephanie Beuerle, Chris Fegan, Sue Fielder, Karen Hinkley, Karl Racenis and Pat Vaillencourt

Members Absent: Jody Flowers, Ron Milkey and Bob Wahr

Others Present: Jim Holland, Pat Sanders and Dwayne Vaillencourt

Meeting called to order: 7:05 by Karl Racenis

Pledge of Allegiance

Agenda was reviewed, changes made: striking #1 on New Business, motion by Sue Fielder, seconded by Karen Hinkley. Agenda approved as amended.

Minutes from the August meeting reviewed motion by Pat Vaillencourt, seconded by Chris Fegan. Minutes approved. Hinkley abstained.

Public Participation: Jim Holland newly elected for Village Council member, introduced himself and gave a brief background. He explained that during Washtenaw County Treasures meeting all units received notice regarding TIF capture. With all the foreclosures recently how will it affect the DDA? Vaillencourt commented that not many homes in the DDA district are affected. Holland told the DDA he would like to advise us with our financial planning.

Pat Sanders from the Raisin River Watershed discussed the Adopt a Stream project in our area. Volunteers are needed, and Dr. Martin from Adrian College will conduct the training.

Old Business:

- Karl Racenis reported that he has been working on additional landscape questions from MDOT.

New Business:

- River Clean up discussion identified the needs to develop a plan, regarding the desirability and cost of dredging or chemical controls to clean the mill pond. A plan to prevent erosion needs to be implemented. A consultant's advice would be helpful. Vaillencourt suggested, we do the preparation for River Clean up while we are waiting for the next step from MDOT. Fielder suggested Racenis appoint a subcommittee for this project. Dwayne Vaillencourt spoke about property owners along the river, and their input is needed. Racenis appointed Fielder, Vaillencourt and Jody Flowers for sub committee.

Reports: None at this time

Adjournment: 9:15

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephanie Beuerle
Secretary