

Lyons DDA
212 Water St, PO Box 175
Lyons, MI 48851

Regular Meeting Minutes for August 15, 2024

- I. Meeting called to order at 6:33 pm by Joe Farrington

- II. Roll Call: Alison Irey, Joe Farrington, Sherrie Mason, Lance Cherpes, Sondra Cherpes, Mattie Cook-Hildebrandt

Guests: None

- III. Minutes: Motion by Farrington, seconded by Mason, to approve meeting minutes from September 25, 2023 with the correction that Patty Priest was nominated and approved to serve as secretary, not as president. Motion carried.

- IV. Motion by Farrington, seconded by Mason, to nominate Lance Cherpes to the Lyons DDA. Motion carried. Farrington reported that 9 members are needed for the DDA.

- V. Election of Officers:
 - a. Motion by Farrington, seconded by Cook-Hildebrandt, to nominate Mason for the position of Director. Motion carried.
 - b. Motion by Farrington, seconded by Cook-Hildebrandt, to nominate Lance Cherpes for the position of Treasurer. Motion carried.
 - c. Motion by Farrington, seconded by Mason, to nominate Cook-Hildebrandt for the position of Secretary. Motion carried.

- VI. Mason reported that the Lyons-Muir Events Committee will meet to discuss Island Fest 2024 and plans for Christmas on the River

- VII. Development Plan Ideas
 - a. Ideas were discussed for an updated Development Plan
 - i. Fill in Mill Race forming a rain garden, potentially adding a gazebo area
 - ii. Fencing for sidewalk along “main street” by Lyons Bar and VFW
 - iii. Improvements to river access with a potential ladder and stairway repair down to the river
 1. Farrington said he would discuss these ideas with Jon Houserman at Lyons Village

- b. Update on maintenance items previously sent to Fred Charles for completion by DPW and to be paid for by DDA
 - i. Rehab for flower beds downtime
 - ii. Pine shrubs in planters have been trimmed but may need more attention
 - iii. New cork, backing, and paint is needed for the display board in the Comfort Station parking lot
 - iv. Comfort Station updates were completed through Eagle Scout project
 - v. Additional request to look into the parking lot behind the Lyons-Muir Historical Museum

VIII. Old Business – None

IX. New Business

- a. RAP Fund for DDA?

- i. Farrington will investigate whether the improvement projects through the RAP Fund opportunity from the State of Michigan is open to DDAs

X. No Comments

XI. Motion by Farrington, seconded by Cook-Hildebrandt to adjourn. Adjourn Meeting at 7:03

Respectfully submitted by Mattie Cook-Hildebrandt

Next meeting scheduled for 6:30 pm on September 25, 2024