



MINUTES
Regular Meeting of Principal Shopping District
April 12, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Fedell called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM. The meeting was held at City Hall located at 28 N. State Road, Newaygo, MI 49337.

Roll Call: Present: Brock, Clor, Faulkner, Fedell, Friar, Nelson, Slominski
Absent: Cooper, Parsley
Also Present: Jon Schneider: City Manager, Kim Goodin: Recording Secretary

Motion by Faulkner, second by Slominski to excuse absent members. AIF/MC

Motion by Faulkner, second by Friar to approve the agenda as presented. AIF/MC

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Faulkner, second by Nelson to approve 03/08/2023 PSD regular meeting minutes. AIF/MC

PUBLIC COMMENTS

BOARD BUSINESS

Motion by Nelson, second by Faulkner to approve PSD Budget Amendment for FY 2022-2023. AIF/MC

Schneider discussed the PSD current fiscal year budget and stated that he is proposing amending “Contracted Services” from \$45,000 to \$55,000. He said that needed repairs were done to the retaining wall by the Post Office and concrete work needs to be done behind North Woods General Store. Schneider explained how TIFA collects and distributes funds and said that TIFA currently spends approximately \$20,000 each year on PSD expenses.

Motion by Brock, second by Slominski to approve the PSD Budget for FY 2023-2024. AIF/MC Schneider stated that no significant changes were made to the FY 2023-2024 budget.

Motion by Slominski, second by Brock to approve amendments to the current PSD Fees by adjusting 79 W State Rd., 65 W State Rd., 41 W State Rd., 1 State Rd. (1st floor), 12 W Wood St., and 30 Quarterline Rd. AIF/MC Fedell stated that 79 W State Rd. added a 2nd business, 65 W State Rd. was change of use with retail and 2 apartments, 41 W State Rd. had 1 less business in their building, 1 State Rd. (1st floor) had 2 less businesses in the building, 12 W Wood St. was change of use, and 30 Quarterline St. was change of use.

Fedell had asked Schneider to research options to potentially change the curbs in the South parking lot making them straight and eliminating the curves. Schneider showed a sketch of potential ideas with the curbs becoming straight, possibly reconfiguring the parking lot to have diagonal parking, and making each drive lane one-way. He estimated that with diagonal parking there could be 20-25 additional parking spaces. Schneider stated that this is just for discussion and to get board members thoughts and comments on the potential idea before actual measuring is done. Board members were receptive to the idea and Fedell was going to discuss with other business members that were not at the meeting to get their thoughts on potential project. Schneider said that even if no changes are done to the parking lot that the City plans to reappear some of the curb cut areas to make more ADA accessible.

Schneider said that he worked on proposed concepts for the North parking lot and not sure if reconfiguring this parking lot would add any additional parking spaces. He asked PSD to think about potential ideas.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Rachael Porter, River Country Chamber of Commerce, gave an update on the recent Clover Crawl and said that they had not received any complaints. She discussed signage that had been vandalized in the Social District and said that outside game pieces had been stolen.

Porter asked for an update regarding the construction on the 1st floor of The Stream. Schneider stated that Sui Generis would be expanding into the empty areas on the 1st floor and the only other business on the first floor would be the hair salon. Schneider stated that he had recently contacted multiple contractors to get quotes on making the hallway entrance doors at 1 State Rd. and the bathroom doors at The Stream on the 2nd floor ADA compliant.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Faulkner stated that the River Stop Café had been awarded a grant from MEDC through the Match on Main Street Program and they will utilize these funds to rehab the lower level at the café.

Motion by Faulkner, second by Nelson to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 am. AIF/MC

PSD Recording Secretary/City Clerk-Kim Goodin