

Downtown Development Authority Minutes
June 17, 2025
257 W. Monroe Street Bangor, Michigan 49013

1. **Call To Order:** Meeting called to order at 7:02 pM by Chairperson Fred Hicks.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Pledge led by Mayor Lynne Farmer and recited by all present.
3. **Roll Call:** Present: Chairperson Fred Hicks, Vice Chair Jose Villalobos, Dan Farmer, Dave McCarty, Pati Martinez-Serratos, Charles Spreitzer, Director Rebecca Harvey, Mayor Lynne Farmer and City Manager Justin Weber.
4. **Approval of the Agenda:** Motion by Lynne Farmer to approve the agenda as presented. Support by Dave McCarty. Motion Carried.
5. **Approval of the May 20, 2025 Minutes:** Motion by Dan Farmer to approve the minutes as presented. Support by Charles Spreitzer. Motion Carried.
6. **Treasurer's Report:**
 - a. **Financial Report:** February -April statements corrected. Motion by Lynne Farmer to accept the corrected reports for February through April 2025. Support by Pati Martinez-Serratos. **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Chairperson Fred Hicks, Vice Chair Jose Villalobos, Dan Farmer, Dave McCarty, Pati martinez-Serratos, Charles Speitzer and Mayor Lynne Farmer. Nays none: Absent: None. Motion Carried.

May Statement: Motion by Lynne Farmer to accept the May statement as presented. Support by Pati Martinez-Serratos. **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Chairperson Fed Hicks, Vice Chair Jose Villalobos, Dan Farmer, Dave McCarty, Pati Martinez-Serratos, Charles Speitzer, and Mayor Lynne Farmer. Nays: None. Absent : None. Motion Carried.

b. Payment of Bills: Mayor Lynne Farmer moved to pay the 6 items totaling \$13,754.33. Support by Dave McCarty. **Roll Call Vote:** Ayes: Chairperson Fred Hicks, Vice Chair Jose Villalobos, Dan Farmer, Dave McCarty, Pati Martinez-Serratos, Charles Speitzer, and Mayor Lynne farmer. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion Carried.

7. New Business:

a. Business retention & Improvement Program

-Facade Renovation Grant Program- Becky will present at the next meeting.

-Add Budget line- no line added at this time.

8. Unfinished Business:

a. Wayfinding System City Manager Weber and Mayor Farmer will meet with Wayfinding person on June 25th at 9:00 AM for a tour of the City.

-List of designations presented by Mayor Farmer. Several items were added.

-Status Task 1: Kick off meeting tour of the city. City Manager Weber and Mayor Farmer will conduct the tour.

b. Re-designed City Logo Discussion followed. It was agreed that the train light should be white. Will cost \$80.00 to make that change. Lynne Farmer moved to approve the change to white. Support by Dave McCarty. Motion Carried.

c. DDA Webpage

-Status: Downtown Business Showcase: Fred Hicks is working on this. Lynne Farmer suggested that she and City Manager Justin Weber go to all the downtown businesses and present the business Showcase and the facade grant information.

d. Market One: Discussion on Market one. It was decided that we will not participate this year. but look at it . Vote taken: Ayes Charles Spreizer. Nays: Chairperson Fred Hicks, Vice Chair Jose Villalobos, Dan Farmer, Dave McCarty, Pati Martinez-Serratos, Charles Spreitzer, and Mayor Lynne Farmer. Motion Carried.

e. Downtown speakers. Mayor Farmer commented on her conversation with the DPW Director of LeClair IA. about the downtown speakers.

9. Opportunity for Public Comment: Katherine Lugten commented that she was excited about the facade grant. Suggested that it be competitive

and given some as partial and some a full grants. Suggested that we call the building the “Old Primary” as it is constantly changing hands. She also asked if it would be possible to get bike racks in town? Mindy Weber commented that she enjoys the meeting.

10. Director/City manager Comments: Each had no comments.

11. Board Comments: Dave Dan and Jose had no comments. Pati thanked Katherine for her comments. And stated that we all really appreciate Justin coming to the DDA meetings. Lynne commented on she and Justins City Business visits today. They had so many positive comments and everyone was thrilled with the snow plowing. Charles commented on the financial reports. Chairperson Hicks thanked Katherine for her comments and suggestions. He will also contact Blue Fire Media to see about a page showcasing the businesses that will pop.

12. Adjournment: Motion by mayor Farmer to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 PM. Support by Pati Martinez-Serratos. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted by Pati Martinez-Serratos, Secretary.