

VILLAGE OF MORRICE DDA

July 10, 2024

MORRICE VILLAGE HALL

1. Call to Order 6:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call, In Attendance: Beth Andrus, Todd Scott, Troy Binkley, Dan Munro, Bob Peterson, Bob Opsommer

Absent: Lyn Smith, Jeff Harris, Glen Gutting

4. Call to the Public: No comment was made by the public

5. Approval of Agenda

A. Motion was made to approve the Agenda:

Motion made by: Bob Opsommer

Supported by: Bob Peterson

Motion carried with 6 Ayes.

6. Approval of Minutes

A. Motion was made to approve the minutes from 4-24-2024:

Motion made by: Bob Peterson

Supported by: Troy Binkley

Motion carried with 6 Ayes.

7. Financial Report

A. Current balance in the General Fund is at \$134,384.81. After taxes were reassessed due to the incoming Dollar General Store, we are now expecting our total to push \$195,000 or more by the end of our Fiscal Year in March 2025.

8. Old Business

A. The Community Flyer has been completed along with delivery through the Postal Service to the surrounding areas that share a boundary with Morrice and Perry. We are hoping to see positive results from this marketing venture.

B. The New Projects for the DDA to consider are:

- Facades on east side of Main Street
- Sidewalks that are still requiring repair within the business district. This would include the south sidewalk of Third St from Main St to Morrice Rd, the northeast corner of Main St and Third St, the concrete in front of the former bank bldg., and the west side of Main St from Third St north to the railroad tracks.
- Park Structures: such as a lean-to over the players bench, new concrete for the Pavilion, new poles, repair to the bathrooms, new tables, and adding a dog run.
- Fire Hall
- 3 Vacant Lot Parcels. Since the plans to build on the property have been abandoned it was suggested that the DDA buy back the property from the current owner and possibly build on it. There was consensus to getting estimates before making further plans to improve the property.
- Consumers Poles: such as those with solar panels attached that would save on the electrical cost associated with decorating for certain holidays.
- Morrice Rd/Britton Rd. Street repair was tabled as the Village will not be expanding their repairs until 2025.
- There was discussion about how we might decorate the village for the holidays.

C. Todd will contact Bennett Concrete to get an estimate for the park repairs and the sidewalk areas.

D. Motion was made to purchase the 3 Vacant Lot Parcel from the current owner. It is currently listed for approximately \$12,000. The board approved up to a \$15,000 limit.

Motion made by: Bob Opsommer

Supported by: Troy Binkley

Roll Call motion carried with 6 Ayes.

8. New Business

A. It was suggested that the DDA move their general fund to a Huntington Bank Liquidity Account to take advantage of their 5.15% interest earning benefit.

1. Motion was made to move the general fund to a Huntington Bank Liquidity Account.

Motion made by: Bob Peterson

Supported by: Troy Binkley

Roll Call motion carried with 6 Ayes.

9. Next DDA meeting will be held October 23, 2024.

10. Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.