



MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 25th, 2025 – 3:30 p.m. | Council Chambers | 989-754-8222

- I. **Call to Order** – Vice Chairman Hanley called the meeting to order at 3:30pm
- II. **Roll Call** – Rachel Murdock took roll
Members Present: Mike Hanley, Mark Fischer, John Markey, Tim Morales, Todd Gregory, Mason Sarosi, Herb Spence, Amy Spadafore, Darrick Huff, and Dennis Whalen
Staff Present: Tom Miller Jr., Steve Hensley, Rachel Murdock and Brady Duke
- III. **Public Comment** –
Hensley introduced Saginaw Future’s newest employee, Brady Duke.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes – Tuesday, February 25, 2025**
Motion by Board Member Whalen, supported by Board Member Huff, to approve the February 25, 2025 meeting minutes. Motion approved.
- V. **DDA Special Events Update** –
Hensley provided an update on the one application for Special Event funding and the recommendations discussed with the DDA’s Special Events Committee.
 1. Historical Society of Saginaw County (Castle Museum), Jazz on Jefferson, requesting \$1,000 with the event being held on June 4th, 2025.

Hensley shared the Special Event Committee’s recommendation of awarding Jazz on Jefferson a \$1,000 special event grant. Motion by board member Markey, supported by board member Morales, to approve the recommendation by the special event committee. Motion approved.
- VI. **DDA Budget** –
Hensley provided the board with a copy of the proposed 2025-2026 DDA budget to review and hold discussion. Motion by board member Morales, supported by Board Member Huff, to approve the proposed 2025-2026 DDA budget. Motion approved.
- VII. **Announcements/Miscellaneous** –
Morneau shared the vacancy of seats on the DDA Façade Committee and DDA Public Art Committee. Each committee needs one more member to meet the three-person minimum, noting that additional board members are free to join any of the committees if interested. The board will review and finalize members at the April DDA board meeting.

Zimmerman shared the Saginaw SOUP pitch competition event and that applications are due April 1st. Saginaw SOUP will do one event for 2025, and this will be held on Thursday, September 11th at CMURC (second floor of the SVRC Marketplace).

Zimmerman also shared the City of Saginaw is holding a Citywide meeting on Wednesday, April 9th at 5:30pm to 6:30pm at the Saginaw United High School. The discussion topic is the zoning ordinance update.

Miller Jr. provided an update regarding the TIF plan reset, noting the County and Delta College may opt out of the new TIF plan, affecting tax revenue. The importance of updating the TIF plan to reflect increased capture was emphasized and the Board agreed.

Miller Jr. also mentioned other development prospects due to the Medical Diamond project, including potential interest from out-of-area developers.

VIII. Next Meeting – Tuesday, April 22nd 2025 - 3:30pm

IX. Adjournment –

Motion by Board Member Spence, supported by Board Member Huff to adjourn the meeting at 4:27pm. Motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Morneau
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