



Downtown Advisory Board
Regular Monthly Meeting - Minutes
April 9, 2019 - Harrietstown Town Hall

1) Call To Order:

- Meeting convened at 8:30AM, by Chair Tim Fortune.

2) Roll Call:

- Present: Chair Tim Fortune, Vice-Chair/Treasurer Adam Harris, Secretary Brandon DeVito, Kelly Brunette, CJ Hagmann, Jeremiah St Louis, Kathy Steinbrueck
- Absent: Diane Litynski, Greg Moore,
- 7 members present; Quorum met.
- Also Attending: Jamie Konkowski (Community Development), Melinda Little (Village Trustee), Cassandra Hopkins (Community Development)

3) Guest Speaker

- Susan Nolde spoke about the skate path that they created on Lake Colby during Winter Carnival. Their vision is to make the skate path a multi month track rather than a single day track. Kick sledding, ice bikes, and nordic skating are becoming popular in the area, and the recreational benefits from tourists and locals alike are prevalent. Staffing, marketing and volunteer efforts are needed to make the ice track available for the whole winter season. Susan ask is for the DAB to show our support to the Village Board.
- David Filsinger spoke about creating a music and arts center in Saranac Lake. He bought the old St Joe's Outpatient building on Woodruff Street. He proposes to provide art studio work space and music learning space, attracting and retaining young people through mentorship. The building will be called Trestle Street LLC, and has the permuting ready to go to create 9 studios. The rent will be roughly \$1 per square foot.

4) Items For Board Action:

- Approval of Minutes from workshop March 12, 2019
 - *Motion to approve minutes by CJ Hagmann. Kathy Steinbrueck seconded. Motion carried.*

5) Discussion

- Arts and Culture Master Plan Advisory Committee:
 - Jamie gave updates on the committee, saying they have 7 available spots and currently only a handful of applications.
- Village Board Reports:
 - Melinda gave a report of the last board meeting and gave dates of the next meeting.
- Budget Review
 - Fiscal year is now aligned with the village, with a \$500 line budget
- ROOST Update:
 - Kelly spoke about the monthly interest group meetings. April 23rd will host a downtown focus, and invited the DAB board. It will include the 2020 goals for downtown.

6) Old Business:

- None.

7) New Business:

a) Committee Report - Organizational:

- No member present, no report.

b) Committee Report - Economic Development:

- Adam spoke about the last committee meeting, and all of the economic development he was aware of to date. They plan to advertise available downtown properties, quarterly, on the website.

c) Committee Report - Design:

- Kathy spoke about the last committee meeting; banner policy, co-op planters, urban tree program, streetscape furniture, and the Christmas Tree. Cleanup date is set.

d) Committee Report - Promotion:

- Kelly spoke about their media procedure.

8) Adjournment:

- Meeting closed at 9:30AM.
- Next meeting May 14, 2019

Respectfully submitted,



Brandon DeVito
Secretary - April 9, 2018