

Minutes for October 28, 2009

Present: Karl Racenis, Sue Fielder, Jody Flowers, Russell Rhoton,, Dawn Steele, Ray Berg, Alan Dyer

Call to order: 7:03

Pledge of Allegiance: 7:04

Approval of Agenda: Ray, Fielder 2<sup>nd</sup> carried

Approval of Minutes-Flowers, Dyer 2<sup>nd</sup> carried

Public Participation-Open & Closed

Old Business:

1. Downtown tree selection

Discussion on trees vs no trees

Jeff Wallace was not available but sent a letter basically stating we need to make a decision or risk losing funding for the whole project.

Discussion of hanging baskets with automatic watering systems.

Berg made a motion to accept the use of the Capital Pear trees in the landscape in accordance with Jeff Wallace's letter. Steele 2<sup>nd</sup>

Roll Call:

Berg-yes, Steele-yes, Fielder-yes, Flowers-yes , Rhoton, yes, Racenis yes

Motion: approved

Dyer: opposed

New Business:

1. Review of Downtown Enhancement Project Costs.

2. Curb and Gutter on Main Street

Discussion of curb and gutter possibilities. Racenis suggested he and Fielder work line by line on costs vs estimates of original plan. If there is extra money maybe we can slip in the Curb and Gutter costs and get those done as well. Berg motions to have DDA support replacement of the curbs and gutters on Main Street and see it done with the enhancement project. Flowers 2<sup>nd</sup>

Motion: approved, carries

3. Payment to Chamber from DDA

DDA had agreed to pay \$500 for lighting and use of power of running things in downtown.

Reports:

Treasurer: Fielder and Racenis will look over costs on Nov. 10 at 3 p.m.

Chairman: Discussed evolution of Traverse City and passed it along for interest. Some of the same things apply to Manchester as well.

Next meeting will be January 27, 2009

Adjournment: Jody moves to adjourn, Berg supports, carried 8:14 p.m.