

Bass Street Landing SSA #5 Meeting

Monday, May 18, 2019

3:00 PM

**619 16th Street
Moline, IL 61265**

Minutes

Board Members Present:

John Miller, KONE
Mike Wennekamp, Two Rivers YMCA
Kevin Belk – Stoney Creek
Diana HaubenStricker – Ruhl Commerical

Board Members Absent

None

Staff Present

Geoff Manis, City of Moline
Tara Osborne, City of Moline

Guests

None

AGENDA ITEM #1 – Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 PM.

AGENDA ITEM #2 – Public Comment

None

AGENDA ITEM #3 – Approval of Minutes

Wennekamp made a motion to approve the January 13, 2020 minutes. Miller seconded the motion. Motion carried and was approved by all members.

AGENDA ITEM #4 – Bass Street Landing Maintenance, Beautification, and Events

Manis gave an update on the Bass Street Landing Maintenance, Beautification and Events. He presented pictures to the Board of the ping pong and chess tables that will be installed at Bass Street Landing. Manis stated he was instructed to not have the tables installed due to safety concerns regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. He was able to rearrange the contract with Doty and Sons Concrete Products, Inc to drop the tables off at Public Works for storage and have them installed at a later date. Since Illinois is moving into Phase 3, the Board would like the ping pong and chess tables installed. Manis will discuss this with the Main Street Commission following this meeting. Manis reported that the flowers are all in the above ground planters and shared pictures of the freshly painted umbrellas and stage structure at Bass Street Landing. The stage awning received a tear in the painting process but it was immediately patched. Manis stated he has a few capital improvement projects that he would like to get accomplished. Now that

the umbrellas have been painted, he would like to get the tables painted as well. The steps on the stage are showing damage from skateboarding and the fence around the mechanical piece on 17th Street needs attention. Manis believes there will be enough funds left in this year's budget to address the fence. He reported the repairs to the fountain are almost completed and will be up and running soon. The City's Water Division assumed all the cost and the boring company donated their time and expenses. SSA #5's expense will only be landscaping what was damaged in the process. The City will do the labor so the cost to SSA #5 will be plants and material.

AGENDA ITEM #5 – YTD Budget

Manis and Osborne presented the Year-to-Date Budget and were on hand to answer Board Member questions. The Board discussed property and hotel taxes received and their impact on funding SSA #5 with the COVID-19 Pandemic. Manis reported that the Ping Pong Table and Chess Table were paid out of Capital Improvements which will in turn put it over budget. To compensate, the funding will have to be moved from an under budgeted account. The COVID-19 has led to the City imposing a hiring and spending freeze but anything budgeted for SSA's will still occur since they were budgeted items that do not impact the General Fund. Osborne requested the Board Members begin thinking about any additional capital projects or amenities for Bass Street Landing they would like addressed in the 2021 Budget. Members discussed each coming up with capital projects and relaying them to Manis to review, prioritize and give direction to Osborne for budgeting.

AGENDA ITEM #6 – Other Business

Manis updated the Board on the events of COVID-19 since their last meeting. During this time, Moline Main Street worked on two big initiatives. In the second week of the Governor's shutdown, the City offered 30 COVID-19 micro loans of \$5,000 each with 1% interest. The funding for this initiative came from the Revolving Loan Fund which is normally offered to businesses as gap financing. Manis was appointed to be the head of this initiative along with Osborne, Alderman Schoonmaker and Alderman Parker. Businesses submitted loan applications to Manis, who would forward them on to the two Aldermen for approval. After approval, they were forwarded on to Osborne and the Finance Department to have the checks printed. The first ten checks from the time council approved the initiative to getting the checks to the businesses was 54 hours. The City will be offering more micro loans soon with funding coming from the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program that received CARES Act funding. Next, the City partnered with LiveStories to develop a one stop shop platform for businesses called FORWARD. It is a free online portal that connects local businesses in the City of Moline to a comprehensive list of resources for recovery programs. Manis was appointed as the City staff contact for the portal. The Board discussed suspending the Thursday Night Summer Concert Series at Bass Street Landing. Manis reported that the Quad Cities has been discussing coming together to do a multicultural event that included Visit Quad Cities and Downtown Davenport. Depending on the pandemic, Manis thought this would be something all the Thursday Night Summer Concert Series bands could be a part of.

Miller made a motion to approve suspension of the Thursday Night Summer Concert Series. HaubenStricker seconded the motion. Motion carried and was approved by all members.

AGENDA ITEM #7 – Adjournment

Miller made a motion to adjourn. Wennkamp seconded the motion. Motion carried and was approved by all members.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:14 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Fawn Schultz, Community & Economic Development Administrative Assistant.