

Fennville Downtown Development Authority
May 4, 2011 Minutes

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Fennville DDA was called to order in City Hall at 7:06 p.m. by Chairman Al LaShell.

Members present: LaShell, Cook, Rastall, Rummer, Schrock, Sey, Ramos, and Welscott.

Members absent: Morgan

Also present: Clerk Phenix; Casey Boeve.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes: **Moved Rastall, second Sey, to approve the April 6, 2011 minutes as presented.** Ayes: LaShell, Ramos, Rastall, Rummer, Schrock, Sey, Welscott. Abstain: Cook. MOTION CARRIED.

Treasurer's Report: **Moved Rastall, second Schrock to settle the account with Abonmarche with any unpaid invoices.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED. **Moved Sey, second Cook to accept the bid from Landscape Design for the work on Hutchinson Garden.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

New Business:

FAM Report: Casey Boeve gave an update on the FAM Sculpture Scavenge. Would need an additional \$500.00 to have the sculptures made. Suggested that the sculptor bill them in July for next years budget. Four sculptures will be made. Discussion on next year's budget and finding sponsors – donors to help contribute.

Liability Insurance: Liability insurance for the Farmers Market is a blanket under the City of Fennville.

Market Master Job: Welscott reported on the Farmers market. Will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. every Saturday starting in June. Discussion on the Farmers Market Master, Rich Klingenberg's pay. There will also be an assistant and they cannot work more than twenty hours per week in the month of May and no more than 10 hours per week for the months of June – October combined. Should submit their hours the last day of every month to be approved at the DDA meeting. Discussion on the vendors and charges for the booths. There will also be two non-profits booths.

Public Wireless Network Proposal: LaShell signed the contract with BCI. Discussion on blocking, and the city not having a server any more. LaShell will contact BCI.

Committee Reports:

Economic Restructuring: Meeting set up to work on the budget for Friday, May 13 at 10:00 a.m.

Organization: Next Business Advantage meeting will be June 7th from 5:30 to 7:30 at Fennville Station. Approval was made for Fennville dollars for Relay for Life.

Physical Elements: Rummer reported on the discussion of signage and the new business. Discussion on how to control what kind of businesses go into the downtown area.

Promotion: **Moved Rastall, second Rummer to pay the Chamber up to \$500.00 for advertising the Tuesdays in the Park.** Ayes: All. MOTION CARRIED.

Miscellaneous: Schrock gave an update on the Chamber of Commerce, Rastall gave a city update and Ramos gave an update on the Historical Committee.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Phenix, Clerk