

**VILLAGE OF VERNON**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
**July 12, 2017 5:30 p.m.**

Meeting was called to order at 5:28 p.m. by Chair Cole

Present: Borkowski, Cole, Lecureux, Libby, Waite, Van Dusen

Absent: Toney

Also Present: Glass, Sherman

**Approve Bills & Accounts**

Moved by Van Dusen, Seconded by Borkowski to approve the Bills & Accounts.

Yeas: Borkowski, Cole, Lecureux, Libby, Waite, Van Dusen

Nays: None

Carried.

**Approve Minutes of June 14, 2017 Meeting**

Moved by Waite, Seconded by Borkowski to approve the minutes of June 14, 2017 as written.

Yeas: Borkowski, Cole, Lecureux, Libby, Waite, Van Dusen

Nays: None

Carried.

**CALL TO AUDIENCE**

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

- 1) **Rails to Trails** – MDOT sent an email with resources to contact, get started, and apply for grants. A parks plan must be in place to move forward.
  
- 2) **Amending Boundaries** – Clerk Glass did contact Rowe and presented a sample time line. Moved by Borkowski, seconded by Lecureux to seek formal bids to expand DDA district.  
Yeas: Borkowski, Cole, Lecureux, Libby, Waite, Van Dusen  
Nays: None  
Carried.
  
- 3) **Welcome sign M-71** – Mark from Agnew stated that type of sign that would serve the community best would be a preform that would be made to look colonial and be large enough that people driving down M-71 would be able to read at 60 mph. He will be submitting a rendering of the proposal early next week.
  
- 4) **River Clean-up** – Fred Brady has agreed to head the project. DDA will provide the “breakfast” items. Still need Volunteers.
  
- 5) **150 Year Celebration** – We do have citizens that are willing to serve on a committee to start working on this. 2021 is our 150<sup>th</sup> year as a Village.

6) **MEDC** – Clerk Glass is meeting at 1 p.m. Thursday to gather information. Everyone is welcome to join at 2 p.m.

**Follow-ups** –

- Rails to trails -
- Amending Boundaries – Request Bids
- River Clean-up – Recruit volunteers
- 150 Year Celebration – Research history of Village, Research community celebrations to see what we would like to incorporate.
- MEDC -

Meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

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Ellen R. Glass  
Village Clerk