

Hiawassee Downtown Development Authority Meeting Agenda

Date: Monday, November 11, 2019
Time: 3:00 PM
Location: Hiawassee City Hall
50 River Street, Hiawassee, GA 30546

- I. Call to order
- II. Approval minutes of the October 14, 2019 meeting
- III. Treasures report
- IV. Old Business
 - a) Mission Statement
 - b) Fundraisers
 - a. Committee
- V. Open Discussion
- VI. Executive Session
- VII. Adjourn

REMINDER: Photos will be taken for the website

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Present: Herb Bruce, Tamela Cooper, Maggie Oliver, Lindie Wright, Theresa Andretta, Liz Ordiales

Absent: Judith Weible, Denise McKay

Staff: Bonnie Kendrick, City Clerk

Minutes:

The November 11, 2019 Downtown Development Authority meeting was called to order at 3:09 PM by Chairperson Herb Bruce.

A motion to adopt the final minutes of the October 14, 2019 meeting was made by Lindie Wright and seconded by Tamela Cooper, motion carried unanimously.

Treasurers report – Liz Ordiales, reported the Downtown Development Authority does not have any funds at this time.

Liz Ordiales gave Directors Report – Denise is pain free, next surgery is expected in March or April, waiting on results of margins on Thursday to know next steps. Murals have been approved (Dan Joseph's and Archery [old \$2 store]), Hiawassee will be on the Mural Trail of Georgia, city properties for the DDA to manage have been identified as two properties between the Anderson building and the old Victoria's Attic building. Currently waiting for appraisal.

Old Business:

Training update – discussed transportation options. Decided to leave from City Hall and to carpool.

Mission statement:

"The Downtown Development Authority of Hiawassee, Georgia shall be composed of seven (7) members appointed by the Mayor, and approved by the City Council and recognized by the State of Georgia as a public corporation with a specific set of powers and a specific purpose and mission to:

- *Revitalize and redevelop the commercial corridor of the city, particularly the Hiawassee Enterprise Zone Area.*
- *Develop and promote for the public good and general welfare, trade, commerce, industry, and employment opportunities.*

- *Finance projects within the city limits that will develop and promote the public good and general welfare.*
- *Issue bonds to finance projects.”*

Motion to approve the mission statement as stated was made by Lindie Wright and seconded by Tamela Cooper, motion carried unanimously.

Liz Ordiales presented the map of the rural zone submitted for Rural Zone designation but reported that the zone was deemed too large. She outlined the narrowed down rural zone (Antique Mall to vacant lot beside Georgia Vision Center). Maggie Oliver made the motion to adopt this area as the enterprise zone for the DDA. Theresa Andretta seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously.

Fundraiser discussion continued from last month. Some suggestions were a “Taste of” type event, chili cookoff, soup-r-bowl, beer and food, food trucks, and add activities for the younger set (corn hole, etc.). Narrowing down to season (spring), date (May3rd, 2020), inaugural event (Trucks and treats – Food trucks, beer and wine, corn hole, photo booth), place (Old Senior Center). There was discussion about opening to girl/boy scouts/school groups to do fundraising for themselves.

Open Discussion:

There was much discussion in the old business, no additional needed.

Meeting entered executive session to discuss property acquisition.

Lindie Wright made the motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Tamela Cooper, motion carried. Meeting adjourned 4:15 pm.