

<u>Present:</u>	Allen Park	Mayor Gail McLeod & Alt. Mark Kibby
	Brownstown Twp.	Supervisor Andy Linko
	Dearborn	Mayor Jack O'Reilly
	Dearborn Heights	
	Ecorse	
	Flat Rock	Mayor Mark Hammond
	Gibraltar	Mayor Jim Gorris
	Grosse Ile Twp.	Supervisor Brian Loftus
	Huron Twp.	Supervisor David Glaab
	Lincoln Park	
	Melvindale	
	River Rouge	
	Riverview	Mayor Andrew Swift
	Rockwood	Mayor Dan Guzzi
	Romulus	
	Southgate	Alt. Dustin Lent, City Administrator
	Taylor	Mayor Rick Sollars
	Trenton	Scott Church, City Administrator
	Woodhaven	Councilwoman Jan Sikes
	Wyandotte	Larry Stec, City Clerk

The Acting Chair, Supervisor David Glaab, opened the meeting at 6:10 p.m., with welcome and introductions.

Agenda: Motion by Mayor Guzzi, supported by Supervisor Linko, to accept the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Motion by Mayor McLeod, supported by Mayor O'Reilly, to accept the minutes of the regular board meeting of 12/5/19 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive-Finance Committee Report:

Minutes of 1/29/2020: Motion by Mayor Guzzi, supported by Mayor Gorris, to approve the the Executive-Finance Committee minutes of 1/29/2020 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Flagstar Bank Amendment: A line of credit with Flagstar Bank was approved in 2017. The term for the original agreement was through December 21, 2019. This extension is through January 2022. Motion by Mayor Swift, supported by Mayor Guzzi, to approve the amendment as presented. Discussion followed of the previous concern for some of the wording, addressed at the Executive-Finance meeting. Legal Counsel Kurt Kobiljak said he spoke to Flagstar's legal counsel and ensured the wording was modified as requested. The motion passed unanimously.

Human Resource Policies:

Motion by Mayor McLeod, supported by Mayor Guzzi, to approve the policies as presented (Code of Business Ethics/Conflict of Interest; and Reimbursement of Expenses). The motion passed unanimously.

DTE Foundation Fiscal Sponsorship Agreement: Sue Pilon reported DCC has provided applicant/fiduciary services to several of our communities for DTE Foundation grants/sponsorships (ranging from \$500 - \$5,000) for events for the past few years. The foundation recently reached out to us about expanding and formalizing that relationship. DCC can request a 5% "administrative fee" for this service, providing another source of revenue to help alleviate the restrictions we are currently facing in terms of administrative costs with some funding sources. The Board must designate a Committee for the Project. Motion by Supervisor Linko, supported by Mayor Gorris, to approve the DTE Foundation Fiscal Sponsorship Agreement as presented, with the Executive-Finance Committee to be the designated committee for the Project. The motion passed unanimously.

DCC Associate Membership Dues:

The DCC Board approved a scenario for Associate Membership based on population. Washtenaw County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board submitted a letter requesting that their assessment dues be reduced to \$8,000/year for a two-year commitment. DCC's Brownfield Board recommends that the DCC Board accept Washtenaw County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority's offer. Motion by Councilwoman Sikes, supported by Mayor Guzzi, to accept the \$8,000/year offer by Washtenaw County. The motion passed unanimously.

Proposed DCC By-Laws Change: Sue Pilon reported

The Downriver Community Conference Administrative Staff has been actively seeking extra funds to help support our Customer Emergency Fund / Staff Development Fund (unrestricted funds). So, as you know from our requests to you over the past couple of years, we have had some raffles at events such as our 2019 Open House. These are good fundraising opportunities and we want to continue to expand these efforts. The State of Michigan Charitable Gaming Division has specific requirements for organizations to obtain the licenses for raffles.

The following proposed change would put us in compliance with the Charitable Gaming Division for future fundraising.

ARTICLE VII: GENERAL

D. NONPROFIT STATUS:

DCC is a non-profit entity and shall remain so for the lifetime of the organization.

E. DISSOLUTION:

Should the Board of Directors ever elect to dissolve the DCC, all assets, both tangible and intangible, and real and personal property, will revert to another like kind non-profit 501(C)(3) organization.

Motion by Mayor Guzzi, supported by Alternate Lent, to accept the By-laws change as presented, and table until the next full board meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Nominating Committee Report - Election of Officers: Mayor Jack O'Reilly reported

Nominations were presented at the December 2019 board meeting. Motion by Mayor McLeod, supported by Councilwoman Sikes, to elect the following members to serve as officers for the 2020 calendar year:

Chair: Supervisor David Glaab, Huron Township
Vice Chair: Mayor Lamar Tidwell, Ecorse
Treasurer: Supervisor Andrew Linko, Brownstown Township
Secretary: Mayor Dan Guzzi, Rockwood

New Business:

U.S. Steel: Jim Perry reported that layoffs will occur in April. He will send the Board a list of total residents per community who are affected. These people will be eligible for training to assist with re-employment. U.S. Steel is a major employer with 2,500 employees. The Galvanizing and Pickling portions of the plant will remain open, while the other operations will be moved out of state.

Annual DCC-CWW Meet & Greet: Cari Johnson reminded the Board this is being hosted by Romulus at the Romulus Activity Center on February 14th at 8:30 am.

Remarks from the Audience:

Economic Summit: Supervisor Andy Linko thanked DTE Energy for sponsoring the Downriver Economic Summit. He thanked Congresswoman Dingell, the State Representatives/Senators, and the Wayne County Executive for securing funding for the grade separation at the railroad crossing in Woodhaven on Allen Road.

Railroad Grade Separation: Jan Sikes said she has been part of Woodhaven's efforts for 18 years to get the grade separation funding. Woodhaven is contributing \$18 million to the project. This will benefit police and fire for emergency responses, as well as the general community. She thanked everyone involved who made this happen. Supervisor David Glaab congratulated her and Woodhaven on the funding. Commissioner Ray Basham added that the County Commission has also been working on seeking funding for the grade separation for many years.

Economic Development: Andrew Kandrevas, from Wayne County Executive Warren Evans' office, said Brian Bigler with Wayne County Economic Development office, will be focusing his attention on the Downriver area, and hopes to work out an office at the DCC Building.

Recent brief 911 Outage: Bob Heck, DMA's 911 System Administrator, reported that the recent 911 outage notice was a result of a contractor unplugging the lines and then reconnecting, all the while the system was redirecting calls. They are working another solution if this happens again in the future.

Marine Patrol Dock: Wayne County Commissioner Ray Basham spoke about the Marine Patrol in Elizabeth Park needing a dock replacement (floating dock). He requested support letters for this effort be sent to the County.

Tony Guerriero of Wayne County Prosecutor's Office reported that 165 people showed up at the recent Town Hall. He thanked the public officials and County Commissioners for their support.

Foreclosure information: Dennis Davidson of the Wayne County Treasurer's office brought the community home foreclosure details to hand-out. He said there are various payment programs available to assist.

Historic Fort Wayne: Jane Mackey from Gibraltar said the Historic Fort Wayne is under redevelopment to help with housing for homeless veterans. There will also be financial and emotional support provided. She asked that everyone work together to help vulnerable veterans.

Motion by Mayor Guzzi, supported by Supervisor Loftus, to adjourn at 6:29 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.