

Downtown Lansing Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
DLI Conference Room
April, 2nd, 2020

Members Present: S. Schriener, , TJ Bucholz, JV Anderton
C. Nader, J. Tischler

Members Absent: C. Zarkovich, K. Dorshimer

Board Advisors Present: None

Board Advisors Absent: Brian Jackson

Staff Present: C. Edgerly, B. Kuiper

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 11:34 am.

II. Citizen's Comments

-None

III. Correspondence

Nothing outside of what's expected right now given the stay at home situation. Multiple businesses have sent emails or Facebook messages to the DLI staff team expressing thanks for the weekly emails, sharing of financial resources, virtual chats, and marketing efforts.

IV. Approvals

Agenda for April 2nd 2020: J. Tischler moved to approve. C. Nader seconded. MOTION PASSED Unanimously.

Minutes from Feb 13th, 2020: S Schriener moved to approve. TJ Bucholz seconded. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

V. Action Items:

A. Funding Support for Small Business Mortgage/Rent: Lake Trust approved the re-purposing of up to 15K of the 'Make It Downtown' funds to be repurposed to support up to 5 businesses. J. Tischler moved to approve the repurpose of those funds contingent on DLI appropriately documenting the shift in our budget. TJ Bucholz seconded. MOTION PASSED.

B. Part-Time Rotary Park Programming Coordinator Agreement: Delta Dental and the community foundation have agreed to provide 10K each for 3 years to fund this position, at a total of 20K per year support a part-time employee. J. Tischler moved that we execute the agreement and move forward hiring when it's appropriate. S Schriener seconded. MOTION PASSED.

VI. New Business:

TJ Bucholz suggested that DLI staff look into looking at all resources and ensure that we as an organization are doing all we can to support small businesses. C. Nader recommended consideration of cancelling all DLI events until the fall, and look at using the funds allocated to those events to support downtown businesses. Cathleen and the DLI team will look into what there is available how to best re-allocate and budget funds.

Our next meeting will be held during our regularly scheduled meeting date on Thursday April 9th at 11:30a.m. Per MML and Executive Orders, this meeting will only address pressing necessary action items.

VII. Adjourn

S Schriener made a motion to adjourn and C. Nader seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:50a.m.

Lansing City Council Resolution #2020-055 suspended the Council rule requiring physical presence at meetings for the duration of the declared state of emergency. Michigan Executive Order 2020-15 provides temporary authorization of remote participation in public meetings and hearings.