

**CITY OF HANOVER  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING  
MAY 19, 2022**

**Call to Order**

Chair Bartels called the regular EDA meeting of May 19, 2022 to order at 8:09 a.m. Present were members Todd Bartels, Tony Ross, Jessica Johnson, Ted Zrust, MaryAnn Hallstein and Tom Dierberger. Absent was Brian Dismang. Also present was City Administrator Jennifer Nash.

**Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION** by Zrust to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Ross. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Approval of Minutes from February 17, 2022 Regular Meeting**

**MOTION** by Hallstein to approve minutes of February 17, 2022 as presented. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Approval of Accounts Payable and Financial Reports**

Treasurer Jessica Johnson reviewed fund balances for EDA accounts and noted one payment for engineering services. She also noted Big Bore has paid off their loan early. Only one loan remains for Astro which is current on payments.

**MOTION** by Johnson to approve the Accounts Payable and Financial Reports as presented, seconded by Dierberger. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**Citizen's Forum**

None

**Unfinished Business**

None

**New Business**

**a. Donation Request from Hanover Harvest Festival**

Nash noted staff has received a request for donation of \$1,500 from the EDA to Hanover Harvest Festival. The EDA has been donating this amount to Harvest Festival each year for the past several years.

**MOTION** by Hallstein to approve donation of \$1,500 to the Hanover Harvest Festival, seconded by Dierberger. **Motion carried unanimously.**

**b. 2022 EDA Business Social**

Hallstein noted there has been an annual business social event in recent years. She would be interested in holding an event in 2022 and suggested business tours or a business passport type of event could be possibilities. Zrust noted these types of activities would require coordination and interest from businesses in participating. He suggested ideas could be brought up at a social event to gauge interest. Bartels noted some businesses may not be set up to have people coming to their building but may still be interested in attending a social event.

Hallstein noted a desire to ensure that businesses feel Council and the City's Boards and Commissions are listening and working with them. She also feels advocating for businesses is part of the function of the EDA.

Bartels noted Big Bore is closed to the public on Mondays and may be willing to again host an EDA social event on a Monday.

Johnson suggested perhaps the third Monday in September could work. EDA consensus was to ask staff to contact Big Bore to see if they would host on Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm.

### **EDA Board and Staff Reports**

Administrator Nash

- Provided an update on current and upcoming residential developments. Several land use applications are likely to be coming in including new residential developments, commercial addition site plans and other land use requests.

Member Discussion

- EDA members asked about the website. Staff noted there could be improvements made to make the website more attractive as a marketing tool and more usable for residents and businesses looking for information about EDA programs and other features of the community. Dierberger noted that Council has also mentioned need for improvement of the City website. The consensus of the group was that updating would be a good idea, and EDA would be willing to help.

### **Adjournment**

**MOTION** by Johnson to adjourn at 9:15 a.m., seconded by Dierberger. **Motion carried unanimously.**

ATTEST:

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Jennifer Nash, City Administrator