

CITY OF IONIA
Downtown Development Authority
March 16, 2016 Meeting Minutes

CALL TO ORDER: The City of Ionia Downtown Development Authority meeting called to order at 8:07am by Board Vice Chairperson Brett Patterson.

ROLL CALL: Roll Call revealed the following DDA Board members present: Dr. Patricia Batista, Dave Cook, Tim Hemenway, and Brett Patterson. Also in attendance: City Manager Jason Eppler, Theatre Manager Gary Ferguson, and DDA Director Linda Curtis.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND INFORMATION:

CONSENT AGENDA: No quorum present.
Minutes from the DDA meeting of January 20, 2016.
Accounts Payables for the DDA:
December 26, 2015 - January 25, 2016 in the amount of \$1,585.11.
January 26, 2016 – February 25, 2016 in the amount of \$904.60.
Accounts Payables for the Theatre:
December 26, 2015 - January 25, 2016 in the amount of \$31,868.10.
January 26, 2016 – February 25, 2016 in the amount of \$14,502.12.

DDA DIRECTOR UPDATE: DDA Director's report attached to meeting documents.

THEATRE REPORT: Theatre Manager Gary Ferguson reported that the fundraiser was a great success with approximately \$18,000 to be split between the Theatre and the Ionia Community Theater group. Several upgrades to the building have been completed with the added funding. The live stage show production of Shrek was held over the past two weekends and did very well.

BOARD DECISIONS AND ACTION ITEMS: No quorum present.

1. Annual Report to be presented at the April 12th City Council meeting.
2. Classic Car and Truck Show Monster Truck Rides: An overview of the meeting with several business owners in 2015 and also of a recent meeting with car show promotor Rich Feehan was presented to the attending board members. Due to the increased liability / safety concerns, it was recommended that the rides be no longer held or that they be moved to a safer site.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was concluded at 8:45am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Rich Thompson, Secretary
Linda Curtis, DDA Director