

CITY OF BRIDGMAN CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
August 15, 2023
5:30 PM

A. Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Bridgman City Corridor Improvement Authority was held on August 15, 2023, at City Hall, 9765 Maple Street, Bridgman, Michigan and called to order by Chair Anderson at 5:30 p.m.

B. Roll Call

Present: Hannah Anderson, Matthew Bizoe, Beth McNeil, John Murphy, Catherine Worcester

Absent: Wayne Hall, Julie Strating

Staff present: City Manager Juan Ganum, City Clerk Sheila Reitz, Mayor Jan Trapani

C. Approve/Amend Agenda for August 15, 2023

Motion by Member McNeil and seconded by Member Murphy to approve the amended August 16, 2023, agenda to include item F, Hi-Tech Trash Cans. **Voice vote, motion carried unanimously.**

D. Hearing of the Citizens- No one wished to be heard.

E. Approval of the June 12, 2023, Meeting Minutes

Motion by Member Murphy and seconded by Member Worcester to approve the June 12, 2023, meeting minutes as presented. **Voice vote, motion carried unanimously.**

F. Consideration of a Revolving Loan Fund Application submitted by Marylil Enterprises LLC for a property at 4352 Lake Street (formerly the Bridgman Premier Meat Market).

City Manager Ganum provided a brief history of the Revolving Loan Fund Program for the City of Bridgman. Co-Owners Heidi Hurst and Jeremy Christ attended the meeting and provided insight into the project and how the funds would be used.

Motion by Member Murphy and seconded by Member Worcester to approve the Revolving Loan Fund Application submitted by Marylil Enterprises LLC as recommended by the Revolving Loan Fund Committee and to have Attorney Senica produce the loan agreements required for the transaction. **Voice vote, motion carried unanimously.**

G. Consideration of Arcadia Gardens' proposal for decoration of raised planters during the upcoming holiday season.

Members held a discussion regarding the proposal from Arcadia Gardens. The proposal was rejected by members due to the price. Manager Ganum will contact Arcadia Gardens and ask for a new proposal within the \$1,500 price range and will also reach out to other contractors to solicit proposals for the project.

H. Staff Updates

A. Bridgman Courtyard Project – finalist for Michigan Municipal League Community Excellence Award (CEA)

City Manager Ganum informed the board members that the courtyard project has been named as a finalist for the Michigan Municipal League Community Excellence Award. It is an honor to be finalist and will create a lot of exposure for the City of Bridgman. Julie Strating is working on a video presentation to be presented at the Michigan Municipal League Conference to be held in October 2023.

B. Status of Red Arrow Social District application through the MLCC

City Manager Ganum gave a brief update on the project to the board members.

C. Corewell medical office building groundbreaking event- August 30, 2023 at 3:45 pm at 9625 Red Arrow Highway.

City Manager Ganum reported that the project is underway. An official groundbreaking will take place on August 30, 2023, at 3:45 pm at 9625 Red Arrow Highway.

D. Lake Street Improvement Project

City Manager Ganum reported that the final topcoat of asphalt will be placed on Lake Street on Friday, August 18, 2023, with striping of the road to be applied on Saturday, August 19, 2023.

E. Bridgman Open-Air Market

City Manager Ganum reported that Nick Schmidt, manager of the Bridgman Open-Air Market, is stepping down from the manager role.

F. Comcast Hi-Tech Trash Cans

City Manager Ganum presented information to the board members regarding smart sensors for city trash cans. Sensors would send an alert when they were reaching capacity. City Manager Ganum did not recommend the purchase of these sensors due to the high costs involved.

Discussion was held regarding the budget and budgeting process for the board. Members agreed that the Capital Improvement Plan should also be reviewed.

I. Privilege of the Floor- No one wished to be heard.

J. Adjournment

Motion by Member Murphy and seconded by Member Bizoe to adjourn the meeting at 6:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Reitz, City Clerk
City of Bridgman