

**Village of Dansville**  
**Downtown Development Authority**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**I. Call to Order:** February 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:01 P.M. in Dansville Village Hall, 1360 Mason St., Dansville, Mi 48819, by President Warvel.

**II. Roll Call/Present:** Parsons, Elliot, Hart, Nevills, Rutan, Warvel

**Roll Call/ Absent:** Eifert, Stolz

**Guest:** Kelen Gailey, Dillon Rush, Emma Bostwick

**III. Approval of Agenda:** Motion to approve agenda made by Rutan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elliot. Unanimously carried.

**IV. Approval of January Minutes:** Motion to approve minutes with adjustments made by Hart, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rutan.

**V. Payment of Bills:** Motion to approve made by Elliot, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hart. Unanimous. Roll Call.

0 - no 5 – yes

**VI. Communications:**

1. 10 -year plan.

The 10 – year plan was discussed. The public hearing of the 10 - year plan will be held on February 28<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM, at the Dansville Village Hall. Discussed that all opinions and adjustments wanted at the 10 – year plan, public hearing will need to be in written word and submitted to the council.

**VII. Citizens Comments/Concerns:** None

**VIII. New Business:**

1. Sidewalk Extension

Discussion on expanding the side walks out to Freer Park, as well as on M36 with the curve going towards the school. This will be tabled and be discussed in up coming meetings. The meeting on March 10<sup>th</sup> the board will bring contractor ideas, and the board will request that Fritz attends the next meeting to help the discussion of sidewalks expansion.

**IX. Old Business:**

1. Budget:

Supplied updated budget for review. Discussion had. Motion by x, second by x, roll call vote, unanimously approved. Budget will go to the Village for review and final approval. Financial suggestion on water tower. Between the DDA Savings and Water Bond/RRR accounts, the Village and DDA could pay off the water tower over the next two years. This move would not put either in financial jeopardy and would save a lot in interest, as the current loan still has 25+ years remaining, and as previously

discussed, refinancing the loan for 15 years saved nearly \$250,000. This suggestion is being given as the water tower is the biggest financial drain on both the Village and DDA. We need to be fiscally responsible with the money both now and for future generations. Paying this off over the next two years allows for water rates to only be raised slightly, compared to a nearly 250% increase needed to make the water rates cover the actual water expenditures and have it be a self-sustaining program. While this does not have to be decided tonight, repayment of the water tower should be within the 10-year plan, and future discussions should be had in the near future to make this decision of a two year payoff plan.


A Motion was made to approve the DDA budget with modifications made by Elliot 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nevills. Roll call.

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**X. Member Concerns/ Comments:**

Guest Emma Bostwick of LEAP: Emma discussed a few of the possible Grants, that Elliot brought to the meeting. Specific requirements for the current grants are not released yet, but Emma mentioned she will be watching and keeping an eye out on them for us.

**XI. Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 8:27 PM – Motion made by Elliot, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Hart.



Respectfully submitted,

**Kelsey Parsons – Village of Dansville, DDA Clerk**