

MINUTES
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The Downtown Development Authority Board held a regular scheduled meeting on January 3rd, 2017, at 11:00 a.m., in the Wayne Memorial Hospital Conference Room. Roll call was as follows:

Voting Members in Attendance:

Joe Ierardi
Linda Lockley- Kelly
Rick Peel
Kim Rozier
Debi Smith

Non- Voting Members/Guests in Attendance:

Building Inspector, Don Herrin
DDA Director, Maika Kicklighter
Mayor, David E. Keith
City Manager, Mike Deal
Chamber Chairman, Joy Burch Meeks
Chamber Director, Christy Carter
City Clerk, Rose Jackson

The meeting was called to order by Joe Ierardi.

Kim Rozier made motion to accept the minutes dated December 6, 2016. Rick Peel second. Motion carried.

The board discussed old business regarding the Sugar & Spice building. City Clerk Rose Jackson explained Georgia Cities has failed to release the security deed on the building. As soon as the deed has been released, the board agreed to sell the building through open auction. The DDA will advertise with the radio station and newspaper.

A motion was made by Mr. Rick Peel to sell the Sugar & Spice building through open auction with a minimum starting bid at \$80,000 seconded by Mrs. Kim Rozier. Motion carried.

DDA welcomed Wayne County Chamber Director, Christy Carter and Chairman, Joy Burch Meeks in the discussion of the "old Chamber building." Mrs. Meeks stated that currently the board is looking to rent the property, but would entertain the idea of selling the property. Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Meeks both agreed to discuss the future of the property with the executive board and report back to Ms. Kicklighter.

Ms. Kicklighter updated the board of the remaining DOT funds. The City Council approved plans to use the remaining funds on Cherry Street, Plum Street and Walnut Street.

Ms. Kicklighter discussed new business. She discussed with the board of plans to reach out to businesses to form partnerships in creating and funding the downtown Façade and Sign Improvement grant during the 2017-2018 year. She also asked for future board projects; the board's goal is to focus on signs and facades.

Lastly, Ms. Kicklighter discussed preparations for the 15th Annual Arch Festival planned for October 28.

Without further discussion, Mr. Ierardi adjourned the meeting.

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