

SEPT. 1, 2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MEETING MINUTES

5:15 PM Meeting at Ladysmith City Hall Council Chambers. Members present: Brian Groothousen, Gerard Schueller, Marty Reynolds.

Others present: Mayor Al Hraban, Asst. DPW- Doug Parker, Admin- Alan Christianson, Media-Luke Klink.

Call to Order:

Chair Brian Groothousen called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM.

Minute Approval:

Minutes of the July 23, 2020 Community Development were distributed and reviewed.

Motion by Brian Groothousen to approve the July 23, 2020 Community Development Minutes, second by Gerard Schueller. Carried by a voice vote.

Agenda Change:

Luke Klink (Ladysmith News) asked that the closed session be moved to the end of the agenda.

Motion by Marty Reynolds to move the closed session agenda item to the end of the agenda, second by Gerard Schueller. Carried by a voice vote.

Veterans Murals:

Administrator Christianson informed the committee that the city has 14 individuals on a list for the next veterans' mural and anticipates many more should the city decide to erect another mural. Discussion then turned to Mr. West's request to have a mural placed adjacent to the Dairy Queen. Mr. Christianson will contact the parcel owner and discuss a lease agreement including provisions for utility setbacks / access. Mural depictions were then discussed, same artist, local artists or screen-printed veteran depictions, no decision was made. The screen-printed Ladysmith Pioneer Mural located at Miner Park was discussed, the screen printing has held up well but is starting to age. Should these murals be replaced and/or moved to a new location?

TIF 8,9,11 Projects:

Committee members discussed possible projects in TIF 8,9&11. TIF Project discussed included:

- Removal of Methodist Church, City / County project. Possible to trade funds with city/ county related maintenance or building improvement.
- Worden Ave property development, move skate park to a new location.
- Development on Fritz Ave W.
- Focus on blight removal
- Road reconstruction within TIF and halo zone.

Mr. Christianson was asked to talk with TIF specialists and determine if TIF funds may be used for skate park removal/ relocation including new features.

Everyone is encouraged to talk to their Council Representative or City Administrator with developmental idea's.

Closed Session:

Motion by Brian Groothousen to go into closed session, second by Marty Reynolds for discussion, Roll Call Vote: Brian Groothousen-yes, Gerard Schueller-yes, Marty Reynolds-no, Motion carried.

Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned 6:18 PM by Chair Groothousen