

**MAIN STREET AREA BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT ZONE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES
January 31, 2023, 8:00 AM
Zoom Meeting**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: ROGER AHN; JIM BEUCHE; JIM CURTIS; JEFF HARSHE; MIKE MARTIN; RICHARD MITCHELL; TOM MURRAY; EDWARD SHAFFRAN; MIKE VAN PATTEN; MICHAEL WATTS
BOARD MEMBER ABSENT: JON CARLSON; RON DANKERT
OTHERS PRESENT: ROB SPEARS

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Ed Shaffran called the meeting to order via Zoom, at 8:01 a.m. A quorum was present.
2. **Public comments:** There were no public comments.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** MOTION to approve the minutes of November 29, 2022 was made by Mr. Roger Ahn. SECONDED by Mr. Dick Mitchell. CARRIED by unanimous vote.
4. **Financial Report:** Due to the transition from Chase Bank of Bank of Ann Arbor, Mr. Rob Spears reported the BIZ banking accounts as follows:

<u>Chase Bank</u>	<u>Bank of Ann Arbor</u>	<u>Total</u>
\$5,582.42 (checking)	\$1,093.10 (checking)	\$6,675.52
\$81,720.32 (savings)	\$272,723.30 (savings)	\$354,443.62

Outstanding parcels still owe approximately \$2,000. Winter snow removal is projected to be well under budget. MOTION to receive the December financial report was made by Mr. Jim Curtis. SECONDED by Mr. Michael Watts. CARRIED by unanimous vote.

5. **Old Business:**
 - a. BIZ renewal – Ms. Betsy Jackson reminded the board that the mandated BIZ renewal vote will need to be scheduled for Spring of 2024 and the BIZ should be using the time between then and now to formulate the new Zone Plan elements and conduct outreach to the BIZ property owners. No action taken.
7. **New Business:**
 - a. Main Street construction timetable – It was reported that the City has communicated the construction schedule for the Main Street reconstruction. Construction will begin at the end of February, with the 300 block of S. Main and will continue to the 200 block in approximately one month. The 100 block of S. Main will be expected to start one month after the 200 block construction commences. Discussion ensued, with questions about daily schedules, installation of fire suppression connections, and issues regarding underground vaults. It was recommended that the board send a letter to Council outlining these issues and the board’s preferred approach to them.
 - b. DDA update – Mr. Shaffran reported that the DDA is conducting a second search for an Executive Director, with Maura Thomson stepping in again as Interim Executive Director. He added that the DDA’s revenue from Tax Increment Financing (TIF) has reached its cap; the DDA will now only receive new revenue from proceeds of the City’s parking system. Mr. Shaffran warned that the BIZ should not expect any financial partnership with the DDA for at least the next five years.
8. **Adjournment:** MOTION to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Curtis. SECONDED by Mr. Jim Beuche. CARRIED by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Betsy Jackson, in the absence of a BIZ Secretary