

A regular meeting of the Alma Downtown Development Authority (ADDA) was held at the Alma Municipal Building at 6:00 p.m.

Authority members present: Stacey Ensz, Ken Kline, Greg Mapes, Canyon Platt, and Andy Shafley.
Authority members absent: Joe Ahern, Carol Freed, Nancy Gallagher, Donna Kolar, Brent Moeggenborg (arrived after roll call), Ken Solomon, and Katie Tobias (arrived after roll call).

DDA Director Ripley noted a quorum of members was not present.

Ripley explained to the group that bids had been expected for the parking lot project earlier in the day, but questions came up regarding oversight and staking. An addendum was added to the request for bids and the bid time was extended. The bid opening date was moved to March 3, 2023, at 11:00 a.m. Brief discussion followed.

Ripley told members that the County had awarded grants from their Parks and Recreation millage, and the City of Alma was awarded \$50,000 towards the proposed downtown pocket park. Discussion followed about the grant disbursement.

Brent Moeggenborg arrived at 6:05 p.m.

Ripley shared that he has been working on funding for the downtown tree project. Discussion followed about amounts included for tree replacement and other items related to the project.

Katie Tobias arrived at 6:07 p.m. A quorum of members was then present.

Ripley asked members to consider a future discussion about a maintenance fund for downtown parking lots. He expects they will be able to use bonds to pay for reconstructing the balance of the lots, but a fund should be established for future maintenance.

Ripley said the Alma Aspires Reboot is scheduled for May 1, 2023 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. He asked members to mark their calendars and attend, if possible.

Discussion followed about street maintenance, street repairs, and snow removal issues.

Mapes asked to talk about filling empty spaces left after removal of the trees. Platt suggested bike racks. Additional discussion followed.

Ripley noted the next regular meeting is scheduled for March 22, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., and said he would send out an email with information regarding the bid opening.

The meeting concluded and the group disbursed at 6:30 p.m.

Sara Anderson, Alma City Clerk

Date of Approval