

Approved: 10-4-2012

**Meeting of
September 12,
2012**

MINUTES OF THE BOYNE CITY MAIN STREET SPECIAL BOARD
MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2012 AT 8:00 A.M.
IN THE COMMISSION CHAMBERS AT CITY HALL, 319 NORTH LAKE
STREET

Call to Order

Chair Lenhart called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: Kathy Anderson, Mike Cain, Bob Carlile, Michelle
Cortright, Larry Lenhart and Pat O'Brien

Absent: Jodie Adams and Rob Swartz

**Meeting
Attendance**

City Staff: Main Street Manager Hugh Conklin, Water/Wastewater
Superintendent Dan Meads and recording secretary Karen Seeley

Public: None

**Excused Absences
MOTION**

Cain moved Carlile seconded PASSED UNANIMOUSLY to excuse the absence of
Jodie Adams and Rob Swartz.

Main Street Manager Conklin memo reads: A priority for the DDA / Main Street board and the city commission over the years has been to bury utility lines whenever possible. With the Park Street construction project the Main Street board has already committed and paid to bury all utility lines from the Boyne River to the South Park-Ray Street intersection, and the utility line that runs along the river from Park Street to the BRI. That cost is \$112,666. When we met last Thursday, we discussed the possibility of extending the utility project to include Ray Street from between Lake and Park. Also included is the utility line from Johnson Oil that runs north to the alley behind Radio Shack. Since estimates were not available from Consumers, no decision was made. Late Tuesday afternoon we did receive quotes from Consumers. The cost to bury all the Ray Street utility lines from Lake Street to the Wright Builders building is approximately \$86,000, which includes the cost of new boxes for each of the buildings that will be receiving new service. This is an expense we can afford if the board decides to move forward. Our fund balance at the end of the 2012-13 fiscal year was projected to be \$28,075, which included \$103,000 to bury power lines on Park Street and along the river. That cost came in \$9,700 higher than earlier quoted, which reduced our projected fund balance to \$18,305 at the end of this fiscal year. However, results of the recently completed city audit shows our fund balance is \$310,182. From that we need to subtract approximately \$70,000 in revenue from Boyne Thunder and the Farmers Market that was credited to last year but is budgeted for the current fiscal year. With the revised audit figures from the 2011-12 fiscal year, our fund balance is approximately \$280,040 compared to \$111,148.

With that fund balance, we can cover the Ray Street project and our fund balance is projected to be \$111,323, approximately \$80,000 more than projected. Even with all

the projects on Main Street's to-do list taking another big step in completing a goal of burying all utility lines in the downtown, in my opinion, is the right thing to do.

Board discussion that this would significantly reduce the fund balance, to be able to fund other projects. At this time there is no other project asking for monies.

O'Brien moved Anderson seconded to approve burying the utility lines along Ray Street, as outlined in the project drawing provided by Consumers Power (received and filed).

MOTION

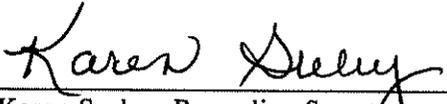
Board discussion regarding the power poles along the alley behind Water Street. Why have the project 90% complete and not complete the rest? Could we get a cost estimate to complete the underground in the alley, for the budget next year and make it a priority? MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

O'Brien out at ~~9:30 a.m.~~ at 8:30 a.m. (corrected 10-4-12 meeting)

Main Street Manager also reported that the Liquor Control Commission has approved the liquor license for the Thirsty Goat with sale-closing date set for October 1st and would like to announce the theater option at the State of the Community on Thursday. Board discussion to confirm with the owners of the Thirsty Goat that they are fine with the announcement and go ahead.

Adjournment
MOTION

Anderson moved seconded Cain PASSED UNANIMOUSLY to adjourn the September 12, 2012 meeting of the Boyne City Main Street Board at 8:41 am.



Karen Seeley, Recording Secretary