

**CITY OF ALPENA, DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
NOTES OF AN INFORMATIONAL MEETING OF THE AUTHORITY BOARD**

Meeting date of December 6, 2022 at 2:00 pm

Meeting was held at City Hall Council Chambers (208 N. First Ave. Alpena, MI 49707). Members of the public were invited to attend in-person or virtually via Go-To Meeting.

Board Members Present: Mike Mahler, Cristi Johnson, Quintin Meek

Members of the Public Present: 2

Staff Present: Anne Gentry

The meeting commenced at 2:00 pm. Executive Director Anne Gentry gave a presentation which covered:

- Information about the Alpena Downtown Development Authority, including PA 197 of 1975, the DDA's mission, finances and funding, and organizational structure
- Projects and accomplishments of FY 2021/2022 organized by the following topics:
 - Partnerships
 - Design & Beautification
 - Investment in hanging flower baskets, tables, benches, and greens
 - Fundraising to plant flowers around the tree bases and Flower Planting & Clean Up Day
 - The alleyway project to close the alleyway between 2nd and 3rd Avenue to automobile traffic and make it a pedestrian gathering place
 - Economic Development
 - Match on Main grant awards: HopSide Brewery, Presque Isle Farm Cider, JJ's, and My Glass Wings
 - New Businesses that Opened or Relocated Downtown in 2022: Cochon Gourmet Market, Presque Isle Farm Cider, Blue Moon Café, Joshua Tree Studio & Spa and the River Street Food Park
 - Marketing
 - Fresh Waves 2022: Two murals completed by Kayla Peake at the Alpena Marina Building & Tim Nijenhuis at Light of Hope Clubhouse
 - Promotional Events
- Future projects and priorities
 - Upcoming projects: Boundary Expansion, alleyway improvements, Fresh Waves 2023 in the alleyway, bike racks and flower planters, National Register listing
 - Long-term projects: paid parking plan, connection to marina, historic preservation goals

The informational meeting ended at 2:34 pm.

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Meeting date of December 15, 2022 at 5:30 pm

Meeting was held at City Hall Council Chambers (208 N. First Ave. Alpena, MI 49707). Members of the public were invited to attend in-person or virtually via Go-To Meeting.

Board Members Present: Rachel Smolinski

Members of the Public Present: 3

Staff Present: Anne Gentry

The meeting commenced at 5:30 pm. Executive Director Anne Gentry gave a presentation which covered:

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 - Promotional Events
- Future projects and priorities
 - Upcoming projects: Boundary Expansion, alleyway improvements, Fresh Waves 2023 in the alleyway, bike racks and flower planters, National Register listing
 - Long-term projects: paid parking plan, connection with marina, historic preservation goals

The informational meeting ended at 6:09 pm.