

**BIDPA Meeting
August 14, 2019**

Members Present: Chair Mike Caron, Gerry Dumoulin, Roland Olivier, Richard Eastman Dick Huot, Peter Higbee, and Andre Duchesne

Members Excused: Bobby Hill, Jay Poulin, Dave Poirier, and Diana Nelson

Others Present: Barbara Tetreault; Steve Halle; Pamela Laflamme, Community Development Director

Call with Camoin Associates:

Chair Caron welcomed Steve Halle to the board.

July Minutes: Mr. Eastman made a motion to approve the July minutes seconded by Mr. Duchesne, all members voted in favor of the motion and the motion passed.

June Financial Reports, pre-audit: Treasurer Dumoulin reviewed the financials with the board letting everyone know that the auditors would be here next week to start the audit. He reviewed the expenses and revenues with the board reminding everyone these are pre-audited financials. There was a short discussion about our investments and it was shared that the investments are currently doing well. There were no questions, so Mr. Olivier to accept them as presented, seconded by Mr. Higbee, all members were in favor.

121 Main Street –demolition discussion: Chair Caron shared with the board the current status of the quotes we have received from HP Cummings, Cross Excavation, and Bob Chapman. The board discussed the quotes from each contractor and the recent meeting with Mayor Grenier, Mr. Wheeler and Chair Caron. Mr. Huot asked what we have spent so far on the building. Mr. Dumoulin shared that we had the right to say no when we were first offered to the board. Mr. Halle suggested we talk to AVRRDD to ask about a reduction for tipping fees as well as look into grinding the bricks to use for spreading and capping at the landfill. This still needs to go to the Council for approval. The board discussed that their approval for the process with the Council's buy in is to spend up to \$250K including the demo and clean up. The City will repay BIDPA in a reasonable amount of time. Mr. Dumoulin made a motion to do as discussed seconded by Mr. Olivier, no one opposed, all in favor.

The board was reminded that the next meeting will be on September 11th at White Mountain Community College

Mr. Higbee made a motion to go in to Nonpublic Session per RSA 91-A:3, II (d) Land Matters, and seconded by Mr. Duchesne., roll call vote was taken, motion passed.

Mr. Higbee made a motion to exit nonpublic session per RSA 91-A:3, II (d) Land Matters seconded by Mr. Dumoulin. A roll call vote was taken, the motion passed.

Mr. Olivier made a motion to seal the minutes of the nonpublic session until such a time the information is no longer needed to kept nonpublic, seconded by Mr. Duchesne, and all voted in favor of the motion.

Public Comments: None

Other: None

Member Comments: BIDPA's role in the park – regarding signage – only as far as the main sign is concerned as there are no longer covenants for the park in place.

Mr. Olivier shared that he thought that the proposed vision and actions are great, but the City has to transition from a mill town to a tourism town, like North Conway, lots of options; but that the downtown needs help and support. Chair Caron said that he looks at this work as a step forward and that we need to look for investors, things build off of one another, and see what our top priorities are. There was discussion that we need to pick a strategy, keep things on our agenda and redo the formatting for the matrix. The board also discussed BIDPA taking a larger role in Main Street with Mr. Olivier saying he though we should do more. The board agreed to take time to think about these things.

Adjournment: Mr. Dumoulin made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Olivier all members voted in favor of the motion. Meeting adjourned.