



MEETING OF THE WESTLAND DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
City of Westland
Minutes
Zoom Meeting
Thursday February 25, 2021

Members Present: Kelly, Scott, Saab, Cabildo, Freese, Murray, Thrower
Members Excused: Wild, Rea

Also Present: Aubrey Berman, Economic Development Director
Nicole Jones, Economic Development Administration
Kyle Mulligan, Parks & Recreation Director
James Godbout, Westland City Council
Michael Londeau, Westland City Council

Chairman Kelly called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m.

A motion was made by Scott and supported by Cabildo to approve minutes from the regular meeting on January 28, 2021.

Saab abstained due to absence.

Motion carried unanimously

A motion was made by Saab and supported by Thrower to approve the payments of the vouchers in the amount of \$335,363.74.

Bryan Amann PLLC \$2,500.00
Costar Realty Information \$454.86
Highland Landscape & Snow \$4,824.50
Bank of New York Mellon \$305,000.00
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Cabildo inquired about Bank of New York Mellon bond payment invoices.

Motion carried unanimously.

Kyle Mulligan, Parks & Recreation Director, reviewed the MDNR Recreation Passport Grant proposal.

Freese inquired as to how long the pour and place material would approximately last.

Thrower wanted to know how the percentage amount was determined.

Cabildo asked why we weren't approved for the Grant in the past.

A motion was made by Cabildo and supported by Saab to the approve the MDNR Recreation Passport Grant proposal in the amount not to exceed 26% match for project totaling \$32,943.63.

Motion carried unanimously

Training Discussion

Berman thanked the Board for completing their training assessment surveys, and gave an overview of the types of training plans that will be taking place in the future.

Director Comments: Berman updated the Board on the vaccination events announced for seniors 65 and over, those residents will be eligible to receive the Covid-19 vaccination on March first and third, however they must register first by calling in to City Hall or by going to the website. Once registred they will be receiving a call to schedule their appointment. Bermann stressed the importance of making residents aware so that they can get on the list. Berman also let the Board know that she will be presenting a Strategic Planning Session on Economic Development to the City Council on March 6 at 9:30am, and invited the Board members to attend.

Citizen Comments: None.

Board Members Comments:

Cabildo expressed his appreciation for the upcoming training opportunities.

A motion was made by Scott and supported by Thrower to adjourn at 8:30 a.m.

Motion carried unanimously.