

**Bethel Local Development Corporation**

**December 3, 2015**

The Bethel Local Development Corporation (BLDC) meeting was called to order by Supervisor Sturm at the Duggan Community meeting room on December 3, 2015.

Present: Daniel Sturm  
Dawn Ryder  
Victoria Simpson  
Lillian Hendrickson  
Fred Michel  
Christopher Cunningham

Absent: Bernard Cohen

Mr. Sturm began the meeting at 7:00 pm and wanted it noted for the record that there was a quorum.

**Financial Report**

Mr. Cunningham and Mr. Sturm went over the balance sheet and the profit & loss sheet. There was a question about why the Lions Club was there. Mr. Sturm explained that it was a pass through.

Motion by Mrs. Simpson to receive and file financial reports, seconded by Mrs. Ryder, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

**Approve minutes**

Motion by Mrs. Ryder to approve the 6/25/2015 & 8/5/2015 minutes, seconded by Mrs. Simpson, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

**BLDC Manager Report**

17B Beautification Grant – Mr. Cunningham said that Malek Properties is still working on completing their sign project. He also said that after consulting with Sullivan Renaissance, Sorella's was awarded a grant out of unexpended funds and completed a project. It was a full matching grant. L&M Greenhouse is also working on a sign project in the same way.

Forest Reserve at Smallwood – Mr. Sturm said that they hopefully will be implementing a signage and trail program by spring. He also said he is still waiting to hear about the CFA grant and there has been an offer to purchase the 38 acres next to the sand mine.

Sullivan Renaissance 2016 Grant Program – Mr. Sturm explained that there is an opportunity for a \$100,000 grant. To apply, you have to show how you would use the

money for code enforcement, building healthy communities, beautification, public spaces and gateways.

Bethel Business Association Committee report – Mrs. Ryder stated that the committee has met a few times already. She has done an excel workshop class that was open to the public. They have been discussing 2 projects. One is 4 pages in the Bethel Woods Journal and the other is a Bethel Guide. The BBA will be doing a table at the Holiday Market at Bethel Woods. The Holiday mixer will be at River Edge on December 7, 2015.

Being there was no further business, a motion was made by Mrs. Simpson to adjourn, seconded by Mrs. Ryder, put to a vote and carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,  
Dina Sturm  
Recording Secretary