

**MINUTES
OWOSSO DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MEETING OF APRIL 2, 2008**

Chairman Hankerd called the meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

Roll Call.

Members Present: John Hankerd, Barb Bucsi, Mike Bruff, Bill Gilbert, Dave Lazar, Bill Gilbert, Rich Collins, Linda Moiles-Foster, Krista Strong

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Renita Mikolajczyk, Bill Constine, Joe Fivas, Brent Morgan

Review and Approval of Minutes. The minutes of the March 5, 2008 meeting were approved.

Motion Adopted: Gilbert/Busci m/s/p

Communications.

none

Financial Status and Reports.

A. Operational Fund from 2 Mil Assessments.

Checking	\$	1,177.01
Savings	\$	<u>16,178.81</u>
Total:	\$	17,355.82

Citizen Comments.

none

Items of Business.

A. Payment of Invoices – Operations Budget.

Rowe Engineering – Design Consultation	\$	<u>17,922.92</u>
TOTAL:	\$	17,922.92

Motion Adopted: Barb/Strong m/s/p

B. DDA Executive Director.

Discussion was held regarding the appointment of Brent Morgan as Executive Director of the DDA to replace Joe Fivas who is currently serving as the interim director.

A motion was passed to appoint Brent Morgan as the Executive Director effective April 2, 2008 and to authorize Brent Morgan to act as Treasurer/Secretary in concert with either the Chairman or Vice Chairman to conduct financial matters of the authority.

Motion Adopted: Gilbert/Collins m/s/p

Mr. Morgan thanked the board for the appointment and is excited to serve as their executive director and working with the board.

C. Vibrant Small Cities Initiative.

Director Morgan updated the board on the status of the Request for Grant Funding regarding the VSCI Grant. They are awaiting the RFG to be reviewed by MSHDA and the grant agreements to be signed. Moreover, Director Morgan stated that the power point presentation presented to the board at last month's meeting was also presented to the Owosso City Council.

D. MainStreet

The Board held significant discussion regarding the two different levels of the Main Street Program being the Associate and the Select Level. Director Morgan explained the Main Street Program, the respective levels, and his experience receiving and operating the Main Street Program in Farmington Michigan as the Executive Director of the Farmington DDA.

A motion was passed for the Owosso DDA to apply for the Associate Level Main Street Program and authorize the Executive Director to provide and execute any and all documents pertaining to the application.

Motion Adopted: Gilbert/Collins m/s/p

Citizen/Member Comments.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Brent D. Morgan, Secretary