



DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
420 N. Front St  
Suttons Bay, MI 49682  
Meeting Minutes of November 12, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am., by Chairperson Bahle.

Present: Bahle, Millns, Wierzba, Derigiotis, Tenbrink (9:10 a.m.), Lutke & Popke  
Absent: Young  
Guests: 2  
Staff present: Petroskey & Larrea

Approval of Agenda

Bahle moved, Lutke seconded, CARRIED, to approve the agenda as presented.

Ayes: 6 No: 0.

Conflict of Interest: None

Approval of Downtown Development Authority Minutes

The minutes were not in the packet. They will be placed on the next agenda.

Public Comment: Bill Perkins spoke regarding EV charging stations. Bill Crackel spoke regarding the marina restroom.

Items for Consideration:

a. DDA Budget

The 2026 DDA Budget was presented. Rob Larrea pointed out the bulk of the expenses are related to the construction of the new public restroom/marina facility. Board members discussed amending the DDA and the timeline for doing so.

Bahle moved Popke seconded CARRIED, to recommended the adoption of the budget as presented. Ayes: 7 Nays: 0

b. 2026 Meeting Schedule:

The 2026 meeting schedule was presented. Instead of listing a meeting for each month, five (5) meeting dates were provided. If there is a need for a special meeting, it can be scheduled with proper notice.

Bahle moved, Lutke seconded, CARRIED, to approve the 2026 meeting schedule as presented. Ayes: 7 No: 0

Manager's Update: Rob Larrea noted that the proposed budget is focused on the bathrooms upgrade and the installation of A Dock and various infrastructure improvements.

Information and comments: None

Board Members Comments: Lee Milns asked how to submit priorities for improvements. Erik stated as we go through the amendment process, we can amend our priorities. Rob stated that currently, we can only pick from our current list. He also stated, we all have wish lists, but from a public fund perspective, we must show a demonstrated need.

Bahle asked that each member be provided with a copy of the adopted DDA plan and discussion be placed on the February agenda.

Public Comments: Bill Crackel again stated his dislike of the proposed bathroom style.

Next Meeting is February 11, 2026

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 am

Meeting minutes submitted by Dorothy Petroskey, Clerk.