September 7, 2021 Pellston DDA Meeting Minutes

Jim Gillette, Diane Kowalski-Smith, Lawrence Smith, Dennis Morse, Matt Minzay, Caroline Mallory

Call to order 7:04pm

Public attendance. Thank you.

New attendee: Caroline Mallory (also on the village council)

Agenda:

Approved Minutes: Dennis + Diane. Approved Unanimous

Budget: No budget available for August-September

June: is \$ 101, 630

+ additional taxes

Old Business

Mural: Can a thank you be sent to the people who did the mural? Jim: Will follow up with letter.

"On behalf of the Village of Pellston we would like to thank you..."

Treasurer

No budget this month. Will be provided next meeting

Web Site

- Businesses should send information to village
- Send to pellstonvillage@gmail.com
- Should send letters to all businesses to send their info to add to the web site.

Trailhead

- Local person is low bidder. Will work with Village to bring cost down.
- Will meet with Elaine Kaiser, Lisa, Contract (Ed O'Neil) and DNR to keep within rules and budget
- Approximately \$420,000... village has about \$380,000. Working to fill gap.
- Trail surface is very loose. Should be compacted and remove stones
- Bikes are on US-31 instead of on the trail.
- Trail may be steam-rolled or swept... repaired or replaced.
- Other older trails (Aloha State Park) have a very hard surface form.
- Trying to raise money to pave the trail.

Big Wheel

- Big wheel is ready
- Waiting for the Shelter to be built.
- Permits are done. Architect drawings produced.
- Art Endershot (?) is builder for shelter.
- Looking into bringing it into town on Draft Horses. Same day as homecoming parade?

Museum

- Matt is managing the museum
- Open Tues-Thurs-Sat noon-5:00
- Need to put the web site for Museum Hours.

PFAS study

- Meetings held with John Damoose. Contacted legislators... held meetings on water systems.
- There is Federal money and state money for:
 - Whole house filtration for each affected house
 - Community well municipal water system
 - Sewer and water system cost: Too small, water bills were over \$100/month.
 - Village will eventually need a water system to grow.
 - Drilling each well deeper.
- Legislators realize Pellston is different from most PFAS areas because there is no municipal water systems.
- Has been identified as being from the airport.
- Additional test wells will be drilled.
- Bloom is moving south-west
- Not significantly in river.

Radar Sign

- Two radar signs arrived
- Waiting for grant money

Library Community Garden

- Being constructed by the library
- Gazebo is over drain field
- Vacant property is being purchased and is closing
- Recommendation to move the gazebo to the vacant property
- Holding speakers and music shows
- Need to find a way to communicate schedule

School

- Started small-engine repair and robotics building
- Built solar panels
- Looking to start culinary program next year. May use Friendship center for culinary center.
- School interested in putting up community electronic sign.

Charter Wifi (Village)

- Town needs broadband from Charter through entire village.
- Discussion with John Damoose... will raise with Charter.

Renew DDA Plan

- DDA Recruitment
- TIF Plan from 2003, due to expire in 2023
- Look into Networks Northwest or NLEA to assist and start project

New Business

None.

Motion to Adjourn: Matt + Diane Approved: Unanimous. 7:47pm