VILLAGE OF MATTAWAN
24221 FRONT AVE
MATTAWAN, MI 49071
DDA MEETING JULY 21, 2026

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER ***8:30 AM***

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ATTENDANCE: ***Brooks, Chipouras, Coy, Crooks, Laughlin, Moyle, Penning, Stuut***
ABSENT: ***Brininger, Kalinka, Reed***
OTHERS PRESENT: *Clerk Storm-Artis*
Motion by Brooks, seconded by Crooks to excuse members Brininger, Kalinka, and Reed for personal commitments. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

4. WELCOME TO PUBLIC

5. ANNOUNCEMENT OF MEETING BEING RECORDED

6. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA ***None***

7. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
Motion by Brooks, seconded by Moyle to approve the agenda as presented. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

8. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF **JUNE 16, 2026**
Motion by Moyle, seconded by Brooks to approve the minutes of June 16, 2026. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

9. LIMITED PUBLIC COMMENT ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS ***None***

10. OLD BUSINESS

   A. SCULPTURE UPDATE – *Clerk Storm-Artis*
   From Kelly Vander Kley: The work has been completed in between all of the crazy weather at the very end of June. Please take a look and let me know what you think. I did also add another coating of the blue paint to a majority of the sculpture and added sealant in the areas of metal that are not reachable with the blue paint. I suspect I'll have to run down there once a year to touch it up as weathering happens."
   Motion by Crooks, seconded by Coy to approve payment of the final invoice from Kelly Vander Kley in an amount not to exceed $2,000.00, with clarification gained on the annual upkeep proposed. Roll call vote taken. Brooks, Chipouras, Coy, Crooks, Laughlin, Moyle, Penning, and Stuut voted yes. Motion carried 8-0.

   B. UPDATED BANNERS ON POLES – *Clerk Storm-Artis*

Display Sales has banners in the 18"x36" from $70.00 to $100.00 each, for 13 poles
Sample Designs will be presented during the meeting
Discussion took place.
Council President Stuut stated she would reach out to Display Sales to investigate bulk discounts and banner layouts for presentation at the next regular DDA meeting on August 18, 2026 at 8:30 AM.

C. MDOT SMALL URBAN MAIN ST PROJECT UPDATE– *Clerk Storm-Artis* gave an update on the project. No action taken.

D. CONCERT IN THE PARK – Chair Brooks and Vice-Chair Chipouras
Vice-Chair Chipouras stated the Masonic Lodge will be set up in the southern area of the park. No action taken.

11. NEW BUSINESS

A. CD RATES – *Clerk Storm-Artis*
Kalamazoo County State Bank – 3.65 APY for 6-months on $400,000
Extensive discussion took place.
Motion by Brooks, seconded by Crooks to reach out to Kalamazoo County State Bank to inquire about matching the 4.35% APY from Consumers Credit Union, and to invest $400,000.00 for 9-months with either Consumers Credit Union or Kalamazoo County State Bank at a minimum of 4.00% APY. Roll call vote taken. Brooks, Chipouras, Coy, Croons, Laughlin, Moyle, Penning and Stuut. Motion carried 8-0.

B. HOLIDAY LIGHTED TRUCK CONVOY DATE/TIMES – *Clerk Storm-Artis*
No action taken.

C. METAL FRAME HOLIDAY TREES – *Clerk Storm-Artis*
Clerk Storm-Artis was asked to reach out to Twinkle Holiday Lights to see if they had rental metal trees. No action taken.

12. COMMUNICATIONS ***None***

13. COMMENTS FROM VISITORS ***None***

14. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS ***None***

15. ADJOURN @ ***9:50 AM***
Motion by Brooks, seconded by Crooks to adjourn. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

DDA Approved: 8/18/2026

Rob Brooks, DDA Chair

Jolie Storm-Artis, Village Clerk