

VILLAGE OF ELMWOOD

Community Development Agency Meeting

July 5, 2017

The **Village of Elmwood Board of Trustees** met as the Community Development Agency with Trustees Anderson, Krass, Hovick, Baer, and Chairperson Wray presiding. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Chairperson Wray declared the “Open Meeting Act” posted. All signed the “Notice of Acknowledgement of Meeting”. Visitors present were Cindy Backemeyer, Kris & Kurk Shrader, Bill Connour, BJ Burrows, Eugenia Bornemeier, and Louie Allgayer.

Public Comments: Mainstreet Revitalization was discussed. Comments from the public were heard regarding empty business properties in Elmwood. The need for businesses, new street lighting, new sidewalks, and the repaving of Highway 1 through town were all discussed. The FBLA will be completing a survey of citizens to get their overall impression of Elmwood; i.e. What types of businesses citizens would like to see come to Elmwood; “What brings new people to Elmwood or What keeps you here in Elmwood,” etc. Other citizens expressed disappointment in how properties looked in town, and that people should not do business with property owners until they fix their commercial buildings. One idea was for the village to have a “Fix-it, Use-it, or Sell it” policy.

New Business: Mainstreet revitalization would require infrastructure updates, lighting improvements; a structural engineer to inspect mainstreet buildings; and repaving Highway 1 w/smaller sidewalk area for improved parking. Other projects include street armor coating; affordable housing w/apts, townhouses, etc.; a community center; a vision or uniform branding of our village. The Village will be renewing the Nuisance Abatement Program in the near future with the convening of a Health Board.

Old Business: None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Connie Carlton, Clerk/Treasurer

Pat Wray, Chairperson