



VILLAGE OF ELLSWORTH
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Monday, September 29, 2025
Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chairperson, Mary Faculak.

Members present: Lynn Spearing, Tina Sundelius, Mary Faculak, Heather Beem, Nathan Swailes, Chris Randall, Lynn Spearing, & Jerry Rasmussen.

Also Present:

Members absent: Ginny McCallum, Chris Wallace.

Approval of the Agenda: A **motion** to approve the agenda was made by Swailes, seconded by Randall. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

Approval of the Minutes: A **motion** to approve the June 30, 2025 minutes was made by Spearing, seconded by Beem. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

Treasurer's Report:

Spearing reported that the bank balance was \$11,564.87. The next TIF payment should be received prior to the October meeting.

Village President's Report: Rasmussen received a quote on putting electricity in the Community Square pavilion. Hark Electric submitted a bid of \$3,289.00. No other bids came in. He also received a bid of \$3,500.00 to have trees removed around the tank. Faculak suggested that we look into securing a grant for the tree removal. Sundelius reported that \$245.00 was raised through donations during Concerts on the Square for the electric project. A **motion** to approve the installation of electricity from the pole to the pavilion in the Community Square by Hark Electric for \$3,289.00 was made by Sundelius, seconded by Spearing. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

Social District: Faculak found the information on forming a social district, she will bring it to the next meeting.

Chairperson Report: Faculak stated that the Breezeway Cruises are underway. The tent we had at Paddle Antrim was a hit. Two hundred & one paddlers attended the event. The displays at Clare &

Mackinaw are well received and have been confirmed for another year. She will be purchasing new banners. She then directed Spearing to reach out to the school concerning new student reps.

Swailles: He has accepted a position on another board that conflicts with our meeting dates. He respectfully requests assistance on making the meeting schedules work. The Farmers Exchange has invested \$1.6 Million into the CO-OP over the last two years. They will be hosting an open house at the Ellsworth location on October 25. WTCM will be broadcasting from the site and a food truck will be present. They have built their own sling shot for the Trunk or Treat event. A **motion** to change our meeting dates from the 4th Monday of the month to the 3rd Monday of the month was made by Spearing, seconded by Randall. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

Beem: The office is doing better since they moved here permanently. They sold 17 homes so far this year. She picked up a prospective buyer from Canada while at Paddle Antrim. Beem presented a memorial called Flags to Remember. It holds 70 names and costs around \$700. She will bring more details. Randall will see if the local American Legion may be interested in helping with it.

Randall: The clinic has experienced staffing changes again but all is settled now. They have two new assistants and things are picking up.

Our next meeting will be our November Retreat. November 24, 2025, 5-7 p.m. at the Front Porch.

A **motion** to adjourn was made by Sundelius, seconded by Beem. Motion carried by unanimous consent

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

_____ on September 30, 2025
Submitted by Tina Sundelius

Mary Faculak, Chairperson

Date