

CITY OF BELLEVILLE

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY — REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Oct 21, 2026 6:00 PM

Belleville City Hall — Council Chambers

330 Charles Street, Belleville, MI 48111

1. **Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence**
2. **Roll Call**

Title / Role	Name	Title / Role	Name
Chair	John Winter	Board Member	Valerie Kelley-Bonner
Vice-Chair	Chris Donley	Board Member	Mike Gatteri
Secretary	Denise Baker	Board Member	Phil Miller
Treasurer	Sabrina Richardson-Williams	Board Member	Whitney Beaubien
Mayor	Ken Voigt		

3. **DDA Follow Up List**
 - **Pickleball Nets Security:** Investigate installing security cameras or a locking system due to stolen pickleball nets (*Raised by Board Member Whitney Beaubien during DDA Follow Up*).
 - **Geese Management ("Goodbye Geese"):** Further evaluate or address the "Goodbye Geese" initiative, as it is pushing geese into roads and residential areas a (*Raised by Board Member Whitney Beaubien*).
 - **New Executive Director Onboarding:** Vice Chair Donley offered to walk the downtown area with the new Executive Director, James Courtney, to introduce him to local business owners.
4. **Citizen Comments, Agenda Items Only**
5. **Approval of and/or Changes to the Agenda**
 - Downtown Christmas Lighting - Requested to be added to regular agenda by Whitney Beaubien.
6. **Approval of Meeting Minutes**
 - Sep 16, 2026 6:00 PM Regular DDA Meeting Minutes
7. **Presentations**

- none

8. General Business

- Downtown Christmas Lighting - Requested to be added to agenda by Whitney Beaubian. Discuss Downtown Christmas Lights Planning & Budgeting
- Treasurer's Report and Accounts Payable
- Committee Reports

9. Chair and Board Member Comments

10. Citizen Comments, Non-Agenda Items

11. Action Items for Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting

12. Adjournment

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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

September 16th, 2026

330 Charles Street, Belleville, MI 48111

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

2. Roll Call

Chair – John Winter	Present
Vice Chair - Chris Donley	Present
Secretary – Denise Baker	Present
Treasurer – Sabrina Richardson-Williams	Present
Mayor – Ken Voigt	Present
Board Member – Valerie Kelley-Bonner	Absent - excused
Board Member – Phil Miller	Present
Board Member – Mike Gatteri	Absent - excused
Board Member – Whitney Beaubien	Present

3. DDA Follow Up List

Whitney mentions that the pickle ball nets have been stolen, again, we need to invest cameras or a locking system

4. Citizen Comments, Agenda Items Only

None

5. Approval of and/or Changes to the Agenda

Motion by Donley, seconded by Baker
Unanimous approval

6. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion by Donley, seconded by Beaubien
Unanimous approval

Approval of Special Meeting Minutes from 8/19/2026

Motion by Donley, seconded by Mayor Voigt
Unanimous approval

7. Presentations

None

8. General Business

A. Introduction of James Courtney, the new Executive Director of the DDA; Donley mentions Hot Wheels and Hot Deals going well; Richardson-Williams mentions the You Matter, Belleville event was very important, it really meant a lot to the people who needed that kind of event; Van Buren wants to participate next year

B. Committee Reports

Beaubien speaks on the sale of the Hardware store, it is moving along nicely

9. Treasurer's Report and Accounts Payable

Motion by Baker to approve Accounts Payable totaling \$99,047.69,
seconded by Mayor Voigt
Unanimous approval

10. Chair and Board Member Comments

A. Vice Chair Donley – welcome James, offered to walk the town with James to introduce him to the business owners

B. Board Member Phil Miller – mentions the car show is becoming its own sentient being

C. Board Member Whitney Beaubien – mentions Ladies Night on 9/17/26, Booville, OktoberFest, Zombie Run in October, wants to discuss Goodbye Geese, it is just pushing the geese into the roads and residential areas causing other issues; wants to add the downtown Christmas Lights to the next agenda

D. Chair John Winter – Thank you James, boo to recent weather, mentions the Witches Ball at Egan's Pub on October 16

E. Mayor Voigt – Welcome James, excited for the new grocery store and the road improvements at Liberty/Denton; ribbon cutting for Denton Road Bridge is October 22nd at 9:30am.

F. Secretary Denise Baker – Welcome James, yay on the hardware store

G. Treasurer Sabrina Richardson-Williams – looking forward to seeing the Hardware store progress into a grocery store, thank you James and welcome

11. Citizen Comments, Non-Agenda Items

None

12. Action Items for Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting

Christmas Lights

13. Adjournment

Motion by Winter, seconded by Mayor Voigt to adjourn at 6:45pm

Submitted Respectfully by: Colleen Wynne, Building Clerk