

Downtown Goshen Economic Improvement District
2/1/2024 Minutes of Meeting 7:45 AM in the City Hall Conference Room

Members Present: Justin Bell, Jonathan Wieand, and Scott Woldruff
Members Absent: Dave Pottinger, Rosie Singh

1. **Minutes** of the 1/4/2024 meeting were approved.
2. **Benches & Trash Containers** - Scott reported that of these new items all but two benches have been placed by the Street Department. Justin will call Kevin regarding placement of the remaining two.
3. **Christmas Tree** - Aaron Swatzky-Kingsley agreed to check on whether the Christmas lights were too heavy and might have damaged the tree.
4. **Financial Statements** - It appears we will be at about breakeven unless we have more snow removal.
5. **Fountain at Washington & Main Street** - We approved the maintenance bill from Aquascapes.
6. **Snow Removal** - We've had some complaints. Our contract says 8 foot wide swaths and pushing snow piles off the curbs, but we're seeing 4 foot wide swaths and snow piled on the curbs. The equipment used this year leaves a thin layer of tracks that then freeze and are hard to shovel away. We agreed to make a formal request to the Parks Department with EID paying for their services.
7. **Downtown Goshen Inc. Board Restructuring** - They will have voting and non-voting members with the Mayor, Chamber of Commerce, City Council, EID, and Visitors' Bureau as "Key Partners".
8. **Christmas Garlands** - We have no further information about options for stringing our garlands across Main Street. We were surprised to learn that the existing stop light poles and arms are to be considered not there and thus unavailable for our purposes.

Next meeting: Thursday, 2/7/2024, at **7:45 AM** in the City Hall Conference Room

cc: Gina Liechty, Mayor; Jeffery Weaver, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer; and CityEngineering

Respectfully submitted, Jonathan Wieand, Secretary