

Sparta Downtown Development Authority
MEETING MINUTES
JUNE 16, 2026
SPARTA MUNICIPAL COMPLEX

Meeting called to order at 7:46 am by Cheslek

Members present:, Cheslek, Potes, Scarffe, Lamb, Whalen, Shangle, Benham, Baker, Stoner, Gray

Members Excused:, Freeland, Driscoll

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Elizabeth Morse, DDA Director; Jim Lower, Village Manager,

Motion to accept the DDA meeting minutes of May 19, 2026 by Lamb, second by Whalen. All approved.

Approval of DDA Finance Report. Motion by Whalen, second by Freeland. All approved.

Public Comment – None

Unfinished Business - None

- 1) None.

New Business

- 1) Mid year updates provided by DDA director including initial survey results, Town Square construction updates, Chamber coffee networking success, the RTV raffle, and concert in the park venue trial responses to date.
- 2) Construction on Town Square updates: Punch list is complete and the grant funds have been received. An additional \$28,000 were awarded to the DDA through the RAP grant. The Stage and Fire Place are in process of completion.

Public Comment - None.

DDA Business Director Report

- A) Directors report attached.

Public Comment – Jeff Christens, 98 E. Division discussed the negative impact selling the South Union Parking Lot would have on the businesses downtown and his parcel which is adjacent ot the South Union Parking Lot parcel that is currently for sale.

Meeting adjourned by executive privilege at 8:33 am.