



LBID MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 22, 2025 | 3 pm | 124 South Main, Suite 210 and Via Zoom hybrid

Present: Megan Eubank, Dale Hopkins, James Langteaux, Lauren Silano

Not Present: Jeff Galli, Alex Pinson, Dale Sexton

Public Comment – N/A

Discussion/Action Items

A. Review/Modify/Approve Past Meeting Minutes – *Motion to approve by Dale/Send by James/Unanimous.*

B. Budget Report – discussed financial report, truck repair needs continue, City declined our request to help with flower baskets in this year's budget and said the URA should pay for it, but the URA has said they will not do flower baskets, although they have funded planting trees downtown in the past, so our projected income is down by 34%. At the end of season, we will be able to assess how much flower basket watering labor is reduced by new low water baskets. About half the basket brackets will have to be removed because they are on top of snowflake brackets but will still be less labor to remove and put up flower baskets than in years past. Due to these issues, the board declined to donate through Give a Hoot this year.

C. Additional Discussion Items from Board Members – discussed our banners covering the construction site are too small and may call attention to the fence rather than hiding it. Discussed the stalled Sport reconstruction, which is finally starting again, and the out-of-state owner's business behavior record. Discussed parking challenges for staff and customers Downtown and the impact of construction projects on business and lack of responsiveness from the City Manager. Tracking down benches removed from Downtown businesses due to unhoused population making some customers nervous, awaiting first responder position to be filled by City so Downtown business owners will have someone to call on to help with populations experiencing mental health issues. Discussed personal safety for Downtown workers and issues with unsafe people. Would like to create assistance info sheet for each business owner and hold a Who Does What roundtable with stakeholders and responders to discuss issues and who does what. Discussed people riding bikes on sidewalks, working with Bike Club and education. Discussed lack of accountability for pattern of business disparagement, the complexity of diverse representation in Livingston, and the need to lead civil community conversations.

Additional New Business from Board Members – N/A

Public Comment on any Public Matter Not on the Agenda – N/A

4:30 pm Adjourn Minutes respectfully submitted by Kris King

Board of Directors

Chair: Lauren Silano | **Vice Chair:** Dale Hopkins | **Secretary/Treasurer:** Megan Eubank

Members: Jeff Galli | James Langteaux | Alex Pinson | Dale Sexton