

MINUTES
Plainwell BRA DDA TIFA
September 09, 2025

1. Chairman Rizzo called the meeting to order at 7:30am in City Hall Council Chambers.
2. Pledge of Allegiance was given by all present.
3. Roll Call: Present: Paul Rizzo, Cathy Green, David Steffen, Randy Wisnaski, and Justin Lakamper
Excused: Nick Larabel, Adam Hopkins and Jim Turley
4. Approval of Minutes:
A motion by Wisnaski, seconded by Steffen, to accept and place on file the joint Planning Commission and BRA DDA TIFA Meeting Minutes of the 8/12/2025 meeting. On a voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.
5. Public Comment: None.
6. Chairman's Report: None.
7. Recommendations and Reports:
 - A. **A motion by Green, seconded by Wisnaski, confirming BRA payables for August 2025 in the amount of \$88.08. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**
 - B. **A motion by Wisnaski, seconded by Green, confirming DDA payables for August 2025 in the amount of \$139.71. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**
 - C. **A motion by Green, seconded by Wisnaski, confirming TIFA payables for August 2025 in the amount of \$10.37. On a voice vote, all in favor. Motion passed.**
8. Communications:
The August 2025 Summary and Detail Financial Reports and City Council Meeting minutes from 7/28/2025 and 8/11/2025 were reviewed.
9. Public Comment: None.
10. Staff Comment: City Manager Lakamper provided an update on Classic Auto factory, sharing that the owner, Darius, is now proposing a 99-year lease agreement with the City. Darius states he is having difficulty finding insurance, and hopes a lease will allow the City's insurance to continue providing coverage. Darius is also aware now that the site will require an Environmental Phase I, and possible Phase II, through the EPA due to the superfund status. Remediation of the building would include lead paint and asbestos, and will take time to complete. The building will also need to be surveyed prior to leasing or sale. There are many details that need to be considered and worked out. Justin is working with City attorney.
11. Board Member Comments:
Rizzo stated that Profielnorm is making good progress on their building.
Green mentioned the Ladies, Leaves and Laughter event happening November 7th. Last year over a thousand people were in attendance.
12. Adjournment:
A motion by Green, seconded by Steffen, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55am. On a voice vote, all voted in favor. Motion passed.

Submitted by,
JoAnn Leonard, City Clerk