



**Glens Falls Business Improvement District
Board of Directors Meeting
Meeting Minutes
July 21, 2026**

Members in attendance:

Jeff Mead	Christina Kaidas	Tom O'Neil
Tyler Herrick	Carly Mankouski	Kathy Naftaly
Melanie Weber	Kate Austin	

Members Excused:

Dan Burke	Peter Hoffman
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Guests:

Amy Collins	Chris Murphy
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MEETING CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 8:04am by Jeff Mead, Treasurer

Meeting Minutes of the June 16 meeting. Motion to approve was made by Melanie Weber, seconded by Tyler Herrick. Motion approved.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Jeff Mead presented the Treasurer's report. June Revenue. City Tax Revenue of \$77,585.24 and Library Park revenue of \$6,750.00 were received. Park wasn't being invoiced with change of directors at arena – they are now caught up. June checks paid were \$5000.00 Admin fee, Grasshopper monthly bill, and Term Loan to Arrow. Account has \$182,437.57 in account. Other notes—Dan Burke approved Grasshopper to do Park Maintenance for Irrigation System. Dan Burke approved BID insurance with a \$96.00 annual increase. Board was on board with both decisions.

Motion to approve was made by Tom O'Neil. Seconded by Kate Austin. Motion carried.

GF COLLABORATIVE:

Take-A-Bite has started. Approximately 20 vendors. There will be a special Take-A-Bite the Wednesday of Balloon festival weekend. Vietnam Wall will be in Crandall Park August 20-23.

CITY PARK BANDSTAND (D):

No Report

PARKING MAP (D):

Sidekick Creative has agreed to assist with the design of the map. Map would include all Collaborative members inside the BID with public facing hours. The Map will also include all buildings inside the BID considered staples, such as the hospital, arena, and library. It will include parking.

A one-time cost of \$1500.00 will be invoiced. A yearly \$200.00 update fee will be charged for updated design work.

West Signs will do the actual sign. There is \$9000.00 in insurance money through the city. Amy Collins will assist with the process.

FOUNTAIN:

A meeting will take Friday and Monday at the Fountain.

WIFI:

The Common Council did approve the grant for downtown public WiFi.

Motion to adjourn was made at 9:16am by Tom O'Neil, seconded by Kate Austin. Motion carried unanimously.

Recently. Around the trees is not maintained in front of Bastard Restobar. We could spend twice our budget doing things the City should do. The BID has a position to push back on the City but they can always say no to us. Dan says pick three or four things to address with the City, not too many things or complaints.

Gazebo

Need to talk to Tom and Peter

Summertime decorations

Poles have different owners. Can be done. Someone needs to take it on. Decorative banners, seasonal, something. Someone's got to put them up and down. We identified the poles, the cost, everything, and the City was like YOU handle it and we didn't have the capacity. There are other expenses to factor in as well.

Benches around the fountain

Melanie will reach out to Amy to get a plaque on the fountain to honor the COVID workers

Snow removal

City needs to enforce code.

Crosswalk signs

State doesn't want them any more.

Dan suggests to think of grandiose things. Reminded us of JMZ's lights over the plaza with Davidson's. We can add a "shoot for the moon" section to the survey.

Kate, Christina and Melanie are going to put together the survey.

- Notes taken by Kate Austin

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made to adjourn by Tyler Herrick seconded by Melanie Weber. The meeting adjourned at 9:56am.

NEXT MEETING: July 15, 2025 - 8:00am – The Queensbury Hotel.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Mead