



GLADSTONE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

City Hall Chambers – 1100 Delta Avenue

July 21, 2026

8:15 AM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

DDA Chairperson, Jay Bostwick, called the meeting to order at 8:20 AM ET.

1. Roll Call

A roll call of members was conducted. With only four members present, a quorum was not established. As a result, the Downtown Development Authority was unable to conduct official business.

PRESENT	ABSENT
Jay Bostwick	Daniel Becker (Excused)
Joe Thompson	Jacob Taylor (Excused)
Nathan Neumeier	Jason Lippens (Excused)
Parker Grzybowski	Kyle Closs (Excused)
	Robert LeDuc

Staff in Attendance: Patricia West, Samantha Gaudino & Rob Spreitzer

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following individuals addressed the DDA during public comment:

- Amanda Phillips, owner of the Dew Drop Family Restaurant, spoke regarding mobile food vendors operating at the Farmers Market and signage within the Downtown Social District.
- Brooke Johnson, owner of the Gladstone Dairy Flo, commented on mobile food vendors and the Downtown Development Authority's promotion of downtown businesses.
- DDA Director, Patricia West, read a statement on behalf of Bob and Shelly Claycomb, owners of Main Street Pizza, regarding the impact of mobile food vendors on brick-and-mortar businesses downtown.
- Jamie Chechack, owner of Gladstone Deli & Catering, spoke regarding the impact of mobile food vendors on her business and the recruitment of non-local vendors.
- Morgan Frappier, General Manager of the Dew Drop Family Restaurant, commented on the personal and employment impacts of mobile food vendors.

COMMUNITY PRESENTATIONS

2. Delta Area Transit Authority Presentation

John Stapleton, Executive Director of Delta Area Transit Authority, provided a presentation on the proposed millage that voters will decide on during the August August 4th election.

CITY COMMENTS & REPORTS

West provided an overview of the following initiatives.

14. Downtown Gladstone Business After Hours | July 29, 2026

15. Gladstone Pickleball Tournament | August 8, 2026
16. Log Rolling Classes
17. Michigan Mainstreet Program | Network Level Update
18. The Depot Park
19. Upper Michigan Today: Spend a Day in Gladstone | July 24, 2026
20. WPPI Energy | Funding Available for Large Commercial & Industrial Energy Efficiency Projects

BOARD COMMENTS & REPORTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

As a quorum was not present, no official business was conducted, and the meeting concluded without action at 9:10 AM.