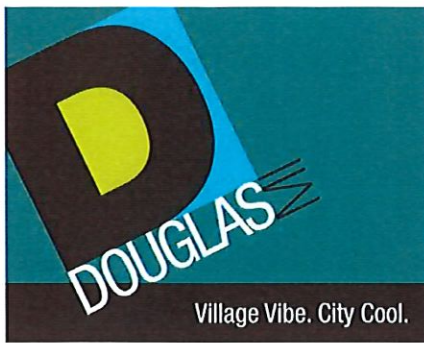




MEMORANDUM

To: Douglas Downtown Development Authority

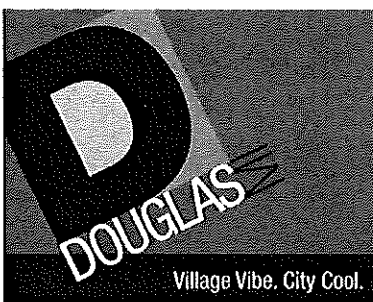
From: Rich LaBombard
City Manager

Date: April 26, 2023

RE: Community Events Funding Request – Douglas Dutchers Baseball Club Games

The Douglas DDA has received an application for Community Events Funding Request from Douglas Dutchers Baseball Club. This application requests \$500 in funding to financially support three baseball games. Funds will be used to produce a program and support the Douglas Dutcher's webpage. The Dutcher's baseball games are scheduled for June 24, July 29, and August 12.

Sample Motion: I recommend Douglas DDA approve the Community Events Funding Request for \$500 for Douglas Dutchers Baseball Club games scheduled for June 24, July 29, and August 12.



Douglas Downtown Development Authority COMMUNITY EVENTS FUNDING PROGRAM GUIDELINES

The DDA is seeking a partner relationship with event presenters to help promote Douglas's Downtown District.

- 1.) Local Organizations planning to present a public event(s) in Downtown Douglas may submit an application for funding in accordance with these Guidelines. The Douglas DDA intends to support qualified downtown events with funding to promote the downtown district and increase foot traffic. Funding recommendations are reviewed at the end of each quarter.
- 2.) To qualify for Douglas DDA funding events **must:**
 - **Include participation of local downtown businesses**
 - **Market the event as well as promote Douglas's Downtown**
 - Be open to the public
 - Preference will be given to events which attract a diversity of participation
- 3.) Community Organizations receiving Douglas DDA funding **must comply with the following:**
 - **DDA monies awarded must be used towards qualifying expenses related to Douglas's Downtown, Local Businesses, and marketing special events. Funds are disbursed as reimbursement after applicant presents itemized receipts.**
 - All necessary insurance and security must be provided by the event.
 - Event organizers must work with City of Douglas City Council/Administration /DPW/Police and Fire on road closures, use of public space and services, and other issues. Event organizations must receive City Council approval for their Special Events Application.
 - Event must use the DDA logo on all materials and to link to the DDA website (if applicable).
 - Event organizer must complete an Application Form and provide contact information.
 - Funds cannot be used for events restricted to private or exclusive participation.
 - Funds cannot be used for fundraisers.
 - Itemized receipts must be presented equaling amount requested
 - Organizations receiving DDA event funding must submit a written final summary on the events and how DDA funds were used prior to consideration of a new application.
 - Funded organizations may be asked to appear and submit their report at a DDA meeting following the event.

Douglas DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
APPLICATION COMMUNITY EVENTS FUNDING PROGRAM

Please Review Attached Guidelines

ORGANIZATION REQUEST FOR DDA FUNDS

Please review the attached Community Event Funding Program Guidelines. Reply to each section completely; *additional sheets may be attached*

Submit complete application to the DDA office, City Hall, 86 W Center St, Douglas MI 49406

Submission Date:

Name of Organization:

Address:

Contact Name:

Phone Number:

I ORGANIZATION MISSION OR PURPOSE

Date received _____ Meeting review date _____ Recommendation: _____

II DDA FUNDING HISTORY

A. Is this the first time you've applied for DDA funding for this event? Y ☒ N ☐

B. If yes, how many times have you applied previously?

C. Is this a recurring event?

NOTE: Organizations which received DDA event funding previously, must make a final written report on the event including how DDA funds were used prior to consideration of a new application.

III EVENT DESCRIPTION

Event Name Douglas Dutchers Base Ball Club Games

Event Date(s) June 24th, July 24th, August 12th

Location Beery Field

Event Description/Activities Planned:

Vintage Base Ball Games - Douglas Dutchers BBC
have been in operation since 2003. This year we have
a full schedule, and did not play in 2021 or 2021 only
one game (at Beery Field) in 2022 Season. No marketing
money or donations were asked of - due to the VIRUS -

Back Alley Pizza Joint
Mixed Media Gallery

> Different businesses
besides these have given to us
= as ownership changed.

Farmhouse Deli

Lake Vista Super Val

IV DOWNTOWN BENEFIT

Interurban Transit Authority

Remax Saugatuck Douglas / VS Flowers

A. How the proposed activity will benefit Douglas's Downtown and Local Businesses:

Fans follow our Club from out of State - they stay, eat, and shop in the area around attending a Game.

B. List Local Businesses involved, include How Businesses are participating in the event.

Galleries in area usually donate to our Club, along with some Restaurants who also donate food or cash.

V PROMOTION and PUBLICITY

A. How many participants expected:

B. Participant demographics (ages, special interests, where coming from, etc.):

? Please call 269-857-7055
For further
information needed.

Tower Marine
The Game also draws Tourists as they are walking through the City. They ask us where to eat, stay, and shop.

C. List your methods to advertise and promote the event, plus Downtown and Local Businesses:

1) We have a web page that is linked to a National web Page for the Vintage Base Ball Association - So from CA to New York, MINN. FL. TENN, OHIO IN & IL. We also give out Printed programs at away along with home Games.

VI BUDGET Note: Please attach an Itemized Budget for the Event to Your Application.

Budget Summary:

We do have a Treasurer for our Club in our Board of Directors - we have Volunteers who play and help at a hot dog stand - we have a 501 C3 / Non-Profit status. We pay for all of our expenses through donations and marketing money. As can be seen on enclosed Program - Douglas is on our whi forms and on the Program and this has always been sufficient for the City of the Village of Douglas to give us a marketing money check as listed on our request. (also enclosed). Our budget varies to buy food & items for our hot dog stand to sell, and to pay for our web page, (over-Please)

Food to Feed Visiting Clubs at Home Games, and different amounts of money given to locations to play and where a fee is required. So the budget varies and is different every year (or season)

TOTAL COST:

City of Douglas EVENT APPROVAL

Have you submitted a Special Event Application to the City of Douglas for approval? Y ☒ N ☐

Has your Special Event Application to the City been approved by Douglas City Council? Y ☐ N ☐

Not certain, but has not been a problem in

Note: The City of the Village of Douglas wished not to be listed on the web or on our Program. Any further questions - please contact me. I was a member of DDA for six years, and a member of The Douglas Historical Preservation Committee before DDA for 3 years.

Member of



Vintage Base Ball
Association

Douglas Dutchers Base Ball Club

-Patrons-

Back Alley Pizza Joint, Douglas, MI
Chromatic Graphics, Holland, MI
Clearbrook Golf Club & Restaurants, The
Grill Room & The Dining Room, Saugatuck, MI
Coral Gables Restaurant, Saugatuck, MI
Crane's Pie Pantry Restaurant & Bakery,
Fennville, MI
Dunes View Kwik Shop, Saugatuck, MI
Farmhouse Deli and Pantry, Douglas, MI
Karl F. Freed, In memory of Brett Freed
Kalamazoo, MI
Bob & Bobbi Gaunt, Saugatuck, MI
Interurban Transit Authority, Douglas, MI
K & P Weaver, LLC, Orange, CT
Lake Vista Super Valu, Douglas, MI
Lankneet Pool & Spa Inc., Holland, MI
Lolly & Art Lewry, Rochester, MI
Margarita's Mexican Restaurant, Holland, MI
Marro's Italian Restaurant, Saugatuck, MI
Steve Metsch & Family, LaGange, IL
Mixed Media Gallery, Douglas
PJ Printing, Allegan, MI
ReMax of Saugatuck & Douglas,
Saugatuck & Douglas, MI

Robbins Nest A Tisket A Task, Douglas, MI
Sand Bar Saloon, Saugatuck, MI
Saugatuck Drugs, Saugatuck, MI
Saugatuck Dune Rides, Inc., Saugatuck, MI
Stephen & Tanya Sheridan, Saugatuck, MI
Singapore Bank Bookstore, Saugatuck, MI
In memory of Smoler Smiles, Westland, MI
Special Tree Rehabilitation System, Romulus, MI
VS Flowers, Douglas, MI
Windmill Restaurant, Holland, MI
Wolfies Sandwiches, Zeeland, MI



Celebrating over "100" Years of Baseball at Beery Field

The Cities of Douglas and Saugatuck Welcome You!



The Douglas Dutchers Base Ball Club

2022 Season

BEERY FIELD DOUGLAS, MICHIGAN

Douglas Dutchers Base Ball Club

2022 Schedule

Saturday, May 7
2:00 pm

MAY

vs. Capital BBC of Lansing/MI
vs. Deep River Grinders BBC/IN
Tulip Time Festival
Riverview Park, Holland, MI

Saturday, June 11
2:00 pm

JUNE

vs. House of David Echoes BBC/MI
Berry Field, Douglas, MI

Saturday, August 6
1:00 pm

AUGUST

vs. Chicago Salmon BBC/IL
Lincoln Park, Chicago, IL

Saturday, August 20
2:00 pm

vs. Elkhart County Railroaders BBC/IN
Wayside Park, Napanee, IN

Saturday, September 3
9:00 am

SEPTEMBER

Ohio Cup Festival - Day 1
Hosted by The Ohio Village Muffins BBC
25-30 Vintage Base Ball Clubs
Six games over 2 days, 9am - 5pm. Schedule TBD
Ohio Village, Columbus, OH

Sunday, September 4
9:00 am

Ohio Cup Festival - Day 2
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A Brief History

When Base Ball was originally played, the Club was made up of the local Sheriff and his relatives. They played against other Sheriffs and their families. Base Ball gradually evolved into what it is today.

Members of the Knickerbocker Base Ball Club wrote down the first rules of Base Ball in 1845. The rules included regulations governing sportsmanship as well as rules for conducting the Matches.

As the popularity of Base Ball grew, competition became more important. Small town Clubs traveled for weekend Matches to other towns, rivalries developed, and soon good players were sometimes secretly paid to play. Alas! The first openly professional Base Ball Club was the Cincinnati Red Stockings of 1869.

Like so many other American traditions, Base Ball was ever changing. Over time and in different parts of the country, shocking behavior like overhand pitching, bunting, calling balls and strikes, sliding, and wearing gloves was slowly accepted.

The Douglas Dutchers uniforms are fashioned after a local Club, the Douglas Athletic League, who first played in 1905. The Club follows the Henry Chadwick 1860 Base Ball Rules.



This Base Ball Season is dedicated to the memories of:

Patsy Wassenaar, Fitz & Thelma Coghlin, Barbara Downing, Marie Downing,
Ernie "Eagle Eye" Evangelista, Bretton James Freed, Phillip Hallisy,

Ronald "WaterBoy" Robbins, Linda Roerig, Jan Wollpert, Pieter Lyon and Nancy Zolper.

Member of



Vintage Base Ball
Association
vbba.org

Helen F. DeGeatano

**Douglas Dutchers
Base Ball Club**

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Celebrate our 20th
Anniversary in
2023.

Douglas Dutchers
Base Ball Club

INVOICE

Donation
Request: 1 yr on
our web page
and 1 Season on

Date: 03-02-2023

Received From: The City of the Village of Douglas Program
which has
Douglas on
Front Page.

Address: P O Box 757

City, State, Zip: Douglas, MI 49406

Phone Number: 269-857-1438

Amount: To help so much with
our yearly FANS. of \$1650.00
which we had pd. in 2020 & 2021
at low cost of playing - We will
have a fall schedule this Season.
Your usual donation in the
past has been: \$500.00

Please return a copy of this invoice with your donation enclosed and we will mail
you a receipt! Thank you for donating to the Douglas Dutchers!

Hoping to Bring many Fans into
Douglas in 2023.

Patron: \$25.00 to \$99.00

Supporter: \$99.00 and above

Thank You So much, Helen

