



Downtown Development Authority

THOMAS TOWNSHIP - DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING
8215 Shields Drive, Saginaw, MI 48609
Tuesday, February 27, 2018 - 8:00 a.m. Michigan Time

- 1. The Board Meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Radewahn.
2. MEMBERS PRESENT: Emeott, Weise, Gray, Duclos, McCoy and Husen.
ABSENT: Ryder-Petre and Martin
ALSO PRESENT: Dan Sika, Community Development Director, and Connie Watt, Planning Assistant/Code Enforcement Officer.
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. Introduction of the newest DDA member, Lauren Husen took place.
5. Motion was made by Weise, supported by Duclos to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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- 1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Introduction of new DDA Member, Lauren Husen
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Consent Agenda
A. Approve the minutes of the January 23, 2018.
7. Approval of Expenditures
8. Communications-Petitions-Citizen Comments
It is requested that you state your name and address for the record.
9. Public Hearing - None.

- 10. New Business
  - A. 2018/2019 Budget Approval
- 11. Unfinished Business
  - A. Update on New Vertical Banners.
  - B. Gateway Sign-West.
- 12. Reports
  - A. Chairperson
  - B. Vice-Chairperson
  - C. Secretary
  - D. Board Members
  - E. Staff
- 13. Adjournment

6. Consent Agenda

A. Motion by McCoy, supported by Duclos to approve the minutes of January 23, 2018 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Approval of Expenditures – Motion by Weise, supported by Gray to approve the expenditures. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Communications-Petitions-Citizen Comments – None.

9. Public Hearing – None.

10. New Business

A. 2018/2019 Budget Approval

The 2018/2019 DDA Budget was presented to the members. A motion by McCoy, supported by Emeott to approve the 2018/2019 DDA Budget as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

11. Unfinished Business

A. Update on New Vertical Banners.

Sika explained that Chief Cousins is in charge of the project and has been communicating with Swan Valley School District regarding 8<sup>th</sup> grade students designing new vertical banners for the street light poles along Gratiot Road. He will be putting together a committee who will determine the “theme” that will be used for these banners. Sika stated that the committee will have representatives from the DDA. He stated that if any members had an interest in serving on the committee to let him know. Husen said she would be interested in serving on such a committee. Sika said he will bring any updates to the DDA as he receives them.

B. Gateway Sign-West

Renditions of two Gateway signs located to the west of the Township were presented to the DDA. Sika explained that these were merely conceptual depictions and no steps have been taken at this time to construct the signs it is still in the very early stages of becoming a reality. He said at this time the Township Manager has started the process of receiving approval from MDOT to place the signs in these clear vision areas.

11. Reports

- A. Chairperson -None
- B. Vice-Chairperson – None.
- C. Secretary – None.
- D. Board Member –Weise noted concerns with a couple of business properties. He noticed that the real estate sign at the former Bob Evans Restaurant had been replaced and again the sign is bent and lying on the ground. Watt stated she has been working with Bob Evans regarding property maintenance and will make contact with them to repair/replace the sign as was done previously. Also to the east of Meijer along the Rail Trail area a lot of trash, plastic bags etc. are on the property. Sika noted that the Code Enforcement Officer normally contacts Meijer after the thaw and they clean up the debris that ends up in this area after any wind events.
- E. Staff – None

12. Motion by Gray, supported by Weise to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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David Duclos, Secretary