



Downtown Development Authority

THOMAS TOWNSHIP - DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

8215 Shields Drive, Saginaw, MI 48609

Tuesday, January 26, 2016 - 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: Radewahn, Doyle, Emeott, Ryder-Petre, Martin, Duclos, McCoy, Gray and Weise
ABSENT: None
ALSO PRESENT: Russ Taylor, Township Manager, Dan Sika, Director of Community Development and Connie Watt, Planning Assistant/Code Enforcement
3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
4. Motion was made by Weise, supported by Martin to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA
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- 1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Consent Agenda
A. Approve the minutes of the November 24, 2015.
6. Approval of Expenditures
7. Communications-Petitions-Citizen Comments
It is requested that you state your name and address for the record.
8. Public Hearing - None.
9. Unfinished Business-None
10. New Business
A. Gratiot Road Poor Quality Buildings.
B. DDA Annual Report to Saginaw County.
C. Approve Budget 2016-2017 year.
11. Reports
A. Chairperson D. Board Members
B. Vice-Chairperson E. Staff
C. Secretary
12. Adjournment

5. Consent Agenda

A. Motion by Duclos, supported by McCoy to approve the minutes of November 24, 2015 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Approval of Expenditures – Motion by Ryder-Petre, supported by Doyle to approve the expenditures as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Communications-Petitions-Citizen Comments – None.

8. Public Hearing – None.

9. Unfinished Business-None

10. New Business

A.-Gratiot Road Poor Quality Buildings

Sika explained that at the last DDA meeting a look at the poor quality buildings along Gratiot Road had been mentioned due to the effect on the business corridor. This may be something that the DDA might want to consider as a future project. He explained that the spreadsheet listed a true cash value of each of these homes along with a photo and aerial view. He mentioned that some of these homes have had significant time spent on them in Code Enforcement hours. Weise questioned what the class listed on the spreadsheet referred to. Sika explained it would be the quality of the home. All these in question were built prior to the 70's. Radewahn questioned the cash value and if this was double the SEV. Sika replied it was. Radewahn added then it's not the market value. Sika responded that it wasn't. Emeott questioned where the DDA would get the money for this project. Sika answered that once the street lights are paid for there would be cash available for a future project such as this where the building/land could be purchased, building demolished and land prepared for resale. Taylor added this is just an option.

B.-DDA Annual Report to Saginaw County.

Sika noted for the members that this was to inform them that the required letter was sent to Timothy Novak, Saginaw County Treasurer. It gives the verification in writing regarding the DDA Annual Report and that in 2015 the DDA did not capture any millage Motion by Weise, supported by Martin to accept the letter sent to Saginaw County. Motion carried unanimously.

C.-Approve Budget for 2016-2017 year.

Taylor explained that there are no significant changes. Everything is moving along in the financial forecast. Once the bond for the street lights is paid then the DDA can start deciding what will be next as a project. Motion by Ryder-Petre, supported by Duclos to approve the DDA Budget for the 2016-2017 year as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

11. Reports

- A. Chairperson – None.
- B. Vice-Chairperson – None.
- C. Secretary – None.
- D. Board Member –None
- E. Staff – Taylor mentioned to the DDA that Saginaw Future had come up with several plans to promote the Great Lakes Tech Park. He said he would find out if he could share them with the DDA. He felt a lot of them were superb and if another business could be attracted to the Great Lakes Tech Park this may be the key to attracting a lot more businesses.

12. It was moved by Emeott, supported by Ryder-Petre to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

David Duclos, Secretary