

Downtown Development Authority

THOMAS TOWNSHIP - DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

8215 Shields Drive, Saginaw, MI 48609 Tuesday, June 28, 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: Doyle, Ryder-Petre, Martin, Gray and McCoy

ABSENT: Weise, Duclos and Emmeott.

ALSO PRESENT: Connie Watt, Planning Assistant/Code Enforcement

3. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

4. Motion was made by Ryder-Petre, supported by Martin to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA THOMAS TOWNSHIP DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY 8215 Shields Drive, Saginaw, MI 48609

Tuesday, June 28, 2016 – 8:00 a.m.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Approval of Agenda
- 5. Consent Agenda
 - A. Approve the minutes of the March 22, 2016.
- 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
 - A. Presentation of Trail Side Signage by Mr. Dave Sommers
- 10. New Business
 - A. Presentation by Piper Lumsden ("Uplift Saginaw") regarding business corridor decorations.
- 11. Reports
 - A. Chairperson D. Board Members
 - B. Vice-Chairperson E. Staff
 - C. Secretary
- 12. Adjournment

5. Consent Agenda

- A. Motion by Ryder-Petre, supported by Martin to approve the minutes of March 22, 2016 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6. Approval of Expenditures Motion by Ryder-Petre, supported by Martin to approve the expenditures as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7. Communications-Petitions-Citizen Comments None.
- 8. Public Hearing None.
- 9. Unfinished Business
 - A-Mr. Dave Sommers did a presentation (Power Point) for the DDA members in regards to some ideas he has to implement Trail Side Signage along the Thomas Township Trail to draw business into the corridor from those using the trail.

The following was presented:





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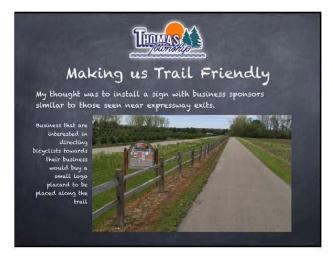
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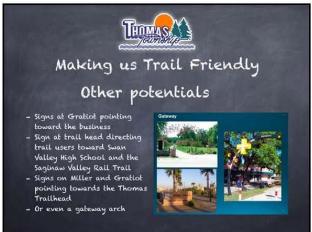




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Radewahn did point out that the option to have your business name on the sign would be an option available to all Township businesses and not simply food & drink establishments. McCoy offered a suggestion of involving the Thomas Township Business Association. Radewahn suggested a presentation to them by Mr. Sommers at a later date where the idea could continue to be developed and possibly get some business interest before presenting or soliciting all businesses.

10. New Business

A.-Ms. Piper Lumsden of Uplift Saginaw offered a presentation to the DDA members to beautify the business corridor with the use of banners, buntings, and flowers to be displayed on bridges, railings, lightpoles etc. She also suggested the possibility of planting live flowers curbside to enhance the corridor. She noted her goal was to do this along Gratiot Road and into Saginaw Township continuing into the City of Saginaw. She explained this was in its early phases of becoming a reality and is looking for a place to begin. She mentioned that some buntings had been provided on the Johnson Street bridge in the city. Ms. Lumsden noted that the decorations would be changed for a holiday theme later in the year. She presented some samples to show the DDA members. Radewahn asked Bridget Smith of Saginaw Township who was present for the meeting to offer her input into how Saginaw Township was approaching the idea. Ms. Smith noted that she was planning a meeting with Ms. Lumsden for later this week but has stressed to her that a specific plan and timetable would be something that they would require in order to consider the idea or implementing it.

11. Reports

- A. Chairperson None.
- B. Vice-Chairperson None.
- C. Secretary None.
- D. Board Member -None
- E. Staff Watt reminded the DDA members of a recent email sent regarding the ribbon cutting ceremony to be held tomorrow from noon until 2:00 p.m. at Shields Comfort Care to officially open the addition that has been completed. She noted that Mr. Sikander stated his appreciation for all those who could attend.

12.	It was moved by Martin, supported by Ryder-Petre to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.	
		David Duclos, Secretary