

# Downtown Development Authority

#### THOMAS TOWNSHIP - DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

8215 Shields Drive, Saginaw, MI 48609 Tuesday, June 3, 2014 - 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, Weise, Gray, Martin, Burns, and Ryder-Petre.

ABSENT: **Emeott and Duclos** 

ALSO PRESENT: Russ Taylor, Township Manager, Dan Sika, Director of Community

Development and Connie Watt, Planning Assistant/Code Enforcement

Officer.

- The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. 3.
- An addition to the agenda was made under #10 New Business, item D- DDA Financial Forecast. 4. Motion was made by Martin, seconded by Ryder-Petre to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **AGENDA**

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Tuesday, June 3, 2014 – 8:00 a.m.

- Call to Order
- 1. 2. 3. 4. Roll Call
  - Pledge of Allegiance
  - Approval of Agenda
  - Consent Agenda
    - A. Approve the minutes of the March 25, 2014.
- 5. 6. Approval of Expenditures
- Communications-Petitions-Citizen Comments 7.

It is requested that you state your name and address for the record.

- 8. Public Hearing - None.
- 9. Unfinished Business
  - A. Rewriting of the DDA contract with Saginaw County/DDA Base Value
- 10. New Business
  - A. Certificate of Appreciation for Allen Streeter.
  - B. Report on the Thomas Township Christmas Light Testing.
  - C. List of DDA Projects for the County.

#### D. DDA Financial Forecast

- Discussion None. 11.
- 12. Reports

D. **Board Members** A. Chairperson

B. Vice-Chairperson E. Staff

C. Secretary

13. Adjournment

## 5. Consent Agenda

A. Motion by Gray, seconded by Martin to approve the minutes of March 25, 2014 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

- 6. Approval of Expenditures Motion by Martin, seconded by Ryder-Petre to approve the expenditures as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7. Communications-Petitions-Citizen Comments None.
- 8. Public Hearing None.
- 9. Unfinished Business

## A.-Rewriting of the DDA contract with Saginaw County/DDA Base Value

Dan Sika, Director of Community Development explained to the members that the Township Attorney Otto Brandt, along with the Township Assessor, Will Gast have worked together to come up with a proposed plan to present to Saginaw County resetting the DDA Base Value. This plan reflects the recently approved agreement with Saginaw Township. Chairman Radewahn questioned what the next step is going to be in this process. Russ Taylor, Township Manager stated that there would need to be a meeting with representatives of Saginaw County for further negotiation. Motion by Ryder-Petre, seconded by Doyle to approve the new proposed agreement and start further negotiations with Saginaw County. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 10. New Business

### A.-Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation to Allen Streeter.

Mr. Sika explained to the DDA that as per the suggestion at the last DDA Meeting, a framed Certificate of Appreciation was presented to the former DDA member, Allen Streeter in acknowledgement of his dedication and service.

## B.-Report on Thomas Township Christmas Light Testing.

Mr. Sika offered information to the DDA members in regards to the recent testing of the Christmas Lights along Gratiot Road. Mr. Sika explained that after discussing with Rick Hopper, Director of the Department of Public Works, Mr. Hopper's data showed that there was no improvement in keeping the lights from failing by the use of LED lights. He further stated that he and Mr. Hopper would be meeting with Leddy Electric for further discussion of other possible solutions. He added they will continue to pursue answers until they can come up with a resolution, possibly not using the lights at all.

## C-List of DDA projects for the County.

Mr. Sika told the DDA Members that a PowerPoint presentation had been created to present to Saginaw County. This presentation included past projects as well as those that are slated to come about in the future. Its intent is to give a general idea and may change in the future as the DDA Board determines need.

#### **D-DDA** Financial Forecast.

Mr. Taylor reviewed the DDA Financial Forecast with the members. Motion by Martin, seconded by Gray to approve the DDA Budget as reviewed. Motion carried unanimously.

- 11. Discussion None
- 12. Reports
  - A. Chairperson None
  - B. Vice-Chairperson None.
  - C. Secretary None.
  - D. Board Member None
  - E. Staff Taylor did mention the upcoming 5K Race that is being held by Thomas Township Parks on June 28<sup>th</sup>, reminding all the members they are invited to attend the event.
- 13. It was moved by Ryder-Petre, supported by Martin to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

David Duclos, Secretary