



DRAFT

MINUTES

**THOMAS TOWNSHIP DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
THOMAS TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING
8215 SHIELDS DRIVE, SAGINAW, MICHIGAN
September 27, 2022**

Members Present:

F. Gray
R. Weise
K. Kolbe
L. McCoy
S. Goward (Late)
R. Kretz
D. Duclos

Others Present:

D. Sika, Community Dev. Dir.
B. Collison, Planning/Zoning Asst.

Absent:

M. Wenglikowski
L. Husen

Mr. Gray called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion by Mrs. McCoy, supported by Mr. Kolbe to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE: YEAS: 6 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 3 MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Minutes:

Motion by Mrs. McCoy, supported by Mr. Kolbe, to approve the minutes of July 26, 2022.

VOTE: YEAS: 6 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 3 MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Expenditures:

Motion by Mr. Duclos, supported by Mr. Weise, to approve the expenditures as presented.

VOTE: YEAS: 6 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 3 MOTION CARRIED

New Business:

A. Review and approve bids for Gateway Sign West Landscaping

A discussion took place about the bids for the Gateway Sign West Landscaping. Tri-Valley came in with the lowest bid at \$3,943.68. The board has full confidence in Tri-Valley to tackle the landscaping as they have done work for the Township before.

Motion by Mr. Duclos, supported by Mr. Weise for the approval of Tri-Valley estimate.

VOTE: YEAS: 6 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 3 MOTION CARRIED

B. Update the DDA board on the sanitary sewer utility improvements planned

Rick Hopper and Trevor Schultz discussed the plans for the improvements to the sanitary sewer system. They stated how it was no cost to the Township because of a grant they were approved for which saved the Township 27 million dollars. The project will open up the sewer system for the Gratiot Road corridor.

C. “Buy Local” sponsorship and advertisement request

Mr. Gray presented the “Buy Local” advertisement to the board. The discussion was around how there are over \$2,000 in gift certificates to businesses that participate. This is the fourth year the TTBA has been a part of the “buy local” program. The request was that the DDA put in a \$250 advertisement for the paper that has a picture of the new landscaping at the Gateway West sign if completed before the deadline. Mr. Goward arrived late for the meeting arriving at 9:15 AM

Motion by Mr. Weise, supported by Mr. Duclos to approve the advertisement in the Buy Local Program for \$250.

VOTE: YEAS: 7 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 MOTION CARRIED

Reports:

Chairperson- None

Vice Chairperson- None

Secretary-None

Board Members- Mrs. McCoy stated that the TTBA golf outing raised \$11,000 for the Nature Center.

Staff- None

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:31 a.m. by Mr. Gray, Chairman