

CLAM LAKE TOWNSHIP DDA – MINUTES September 18, 2017

Chairperson Snider called the September 18, 2017 Meeting for the Downtown Development Authority of Clam Lake Township to order at 7:46 a.m. This meeting was held at Clam Lake Township Hall in Cadillac, MI. The following board Members were in attendance: Julie Snider, Chairperson; Steve Kitler, Township Supervisor; Bob Hilty, Member; Pat Carroll, Secretary/Treasurer; Jeremy Winkle, Member; Kevin Dunaway, Member; Mike Lueder, Vice Chairman; Scott Kleinsorge, Member. Members not in attendance: Steve Anderson, Member

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion by Member Kleinsorge supported by Member Carroll to approve the July 17, 2017 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES: Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Carroll stated the bills that were paid last month are listed under B(d)(1-6). The bills that need to be paid this month are listed under B(e)(1-3) and include Rockford Services and Wexford County Road Commission for mowing services and Chamber dues.

Motion by Member Kleinsorge supported by Member Lueder to pay the bills as presented. Motion carried.

Discussion followed on Rockwood Mowing. Supervisor Kitler said he would bid the DDA Mowing with Rockwood along with the Township.

Executive Director's Report

Director Warda stated she did not have a written report this month, that included in the packet were copies of the September 12, 2017 Clam Lake Township Board Meeting Agenda and the Trails Collaborative Meeting Packet for Thursday. She said that she had received 205 surveys back to date for the Master Plan.

Committees:

Marketing – Chairperson Snider; Members Winkle, Carroll. No report.

Strategic Planning Committee – Chairperson Lueder; Members Winkle, Hilty. No report.

Land Use – Chairperson Winkle; Members Anderson, Kleinsorge. No report.

Beautification - Chairperson Kitler; Members Anderson, Kleinsorge, Snider. No report.

SPECIAL ORDERS: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS AND GENERAL ORDERS:

Welcome Sign Update – Member Kleinsorge said he hadn't started on the project as he thought there were some MDOT issues. He asked the Board if they were comfortable with the Wilcox design or wanted something new. Director Warda said she will email a copy of the Wilcox design to the Board.

Island Maintenance - Director Warda said she was extremely happy with the job that Miller Concrete did with the Islands. She said she walked the islands last week, pick up some trash & sprayed a couple new weeds she saw coming up. She said she will keep up on the weeds so they don't get out of control again.

Safe Routes Update – Director Warda said there was nothing to report at this time, but that MSU's new term starts October, so she expects to hear from them anytime now.

TeriDee Property Update – Supervisor Kitler stated that this past Friday, the Supreme Court refused to revisit, so it's done. He said Motion to be filed soon and the property goes back to Haring Township.

Supervisor Kitler said he has had several Meetings with Marcus Peccia about long-term planning, 425's and valid ways to promote economic development in the community. He said historically 425's has lost control of land use, but the Supreme Court said it can be included.

Discussion followed on the TeriDee Property 425, utilities; and Haring to re-establish the PUD that may have more restrictions, adding that the gas station is a non-conforming use. Member Lueder stated that the City may be looking for allies with the past bad blood with City 425's. He said he asked the City to give the DDA a proposal of "fee for services" vs a 425. Discussion followed on the City's costs for a 425 development that is no longer part of the City.

Supervisor Kitler asked Member Winkle to tell Todd Winkle (Highpoint) that there are other options than annexation. Discussion followed on septic systems and public sewer.

NEW BUSINESS:

Director Warda asked the DDA Board if they were interested in a couple parcels that went up for tax auction along US 131 And Mackinaw Trail for possible billboard advertising for DDA District Members. Consensus of the Board that they were not interested in buying any property.

Member Lueder said there is a moratorium on billboards in the DDA District, that he thinks it is in the DDA Overlay District. Director Warda said she will research the moratorium, that she did not see that stated in the DDA Overlay District restrictions, that there were smaller size requirements and 15' setbacks for billboards listed

NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME: Discussion followed regarding the October 16, 2017 7:45 a.m. meeting, that it looks like there are three (3) Members not available. If there are no agenda items for that day, the meeting will be cancelled.

Meeting ADJOURNED by Chairperson Snider at 8:27 a.m.

Cindy Warda Executive Director