

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
DOWNTOWN DISTRICT AUTHORITY
DECEMBER 7, 2021**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Jim Slezak
Zak Hawley
Jackie Hoist
Mo Aboneaaj
Tom Wright
Kurtis McMahan
Matt Place - Building
Jami Vert – Recording Secretary

MEMBERS ABSENT: Craig Stefanko
Attorney David Lattie

OTHERS PRESENT: None

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Davison Township DDA was called to order at 9:03 A.M. at the Davison Township Municipal Center, 1280 N. Irish Road, Davison, MI 48423. Pledge of Allegiance was sited.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

MOTION BY SLEZAK, SECOND BY ABONEAAJ to adopt the December 7, 2021 agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES

MOTION BY SLEZAK, SECOND BY HOIST to adopt the minutes from November 2, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment opened up at 9:04 a.m./Closed at 9:04 a.m. No comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Discussion of overpayment – Hawley – explain a little about the over pay of tax capture.
Slezak – Plante Moran found discrepancy; treasurer captured monies that was not excluded; which was not suppose to go to DDA; have to give it back; treasurers are going to do it

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manually by hand next time so it doesn't happen again; error on that side which was not suppose to happen; looked back previously and it had not happened before.

Hawley – we already submitted payment back to them; that total was \$23,448.60.

Slezak – yes.

Hawley – hopefully that will not happen again; touch base with Wade Trim on getting them involved to get preliminary plans drawn up for landscape possibilities.

Slezak – not yet; we will set that up with them.

Hawley – get Wright up to date on what's going on; want to beautify Davison Township.

Hoist – some of the longer-range projects that take a little longer.

Wright – did we set a budget yet?

Hawley – not yet; we want to see what Wade Trim could design up; we are a year out until Lake Callis is paid off; over the next 24 months we should have a chunk to sit on; getting things aligned a head of time.

Hoist – it is a long process; 1-2 years easily; look at conceptual designs; looking at grant dollars that are out there; longer range projects.

McMahan – can we give a set amount? Max dollar verse minimum dollar.

Hoist – starting point of less than \$500,000; those are major projects; when you get into enhancing over passes those get to be pretty expensive.

Wright – do you have to get state approval?

Hoist – yes, that is what takes a big share of the time.

Slezak – we will have to set a budget for Wade Trim to cover all their costs of the work prior.

Hawley – to get them involved?

Slezak – to really get them involved with the drawings; they will not just make us drawings.

Hoist – ask for a proposal; ask board to expend \$15,000 - \$20,000 on conceptual design and preliminary plans; get an idea of how far they can go.

Hawley – make a motion up-to \$20,000.

Slezak – for interchanges?

MOTION BY SLEZAK, SECOND BY HAWLEY to spend \$20,000 to get some conceptual drawings for the freeway interchanges. Motion carried unanimously.

Slezak – shop with a hero December 9, 2021 @ 5 p.m. Downtown Davison; reached out to Outreach East and they said the school picked the kids this year; Chief is getting the Officers to go; allocated \$5,000; but could be less; Meijer had contacted Chief to do it again this year; Meijer is December 20, 2021 @ 5 p.m. with Outreach East; Meijer usually covers the cost of all of it; or we can make a motion to allocated some additional funds if we need to; don't leave anybody out that is not from the Township but live in Davison; don't want to leave anybody out; I think it would be great if we showed up and watched, we know we are not the hero's but it would be a great thing.

McMahan – what is the man power to help?

Slezak – don't know yet; will call again.

Hawley – if we have money left over from December 9, 2021, we can reallocate some of those funds for December 20, 2021.

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Slezak – we can, they are still going to need not just presents, but buy some meals; they do get to shop a little when at Meijer; try to cover for their family.

Hawley – so do we want to add money or wait and see where we are at; if there is any over, we can give that to outreach.

Hoist – we were supposed to get with Lattie and ask how much we can donate to charitable?

Slezak – we could add more, but don't want to add \$50,000.....

Place – up to \$10,000 if we need to and we don't have to have another special meeting for it.

MOTION BY HOIST, SECOND BY ABONEAAJ to make a motion if there are kids in need to go up to \$10,000. Motion carried unanimously.

McMahan – without knowing how this all works, are we going to know some of the kids in this program/and are they going to be embarrassed that they know people in this program?

Slezak – I don't think they will be embarrassed, I think they will look up to you; it is a bonus; you go and step back and help if needed; more support is what the kids need.

Hawley – I don't think I see us going through that, but it good to have those funds.

Hawley – Consumer's gift cards

Slezak – spoke with Jan about the Consumer's gift cards; her best suggestion was to write her a check for the amount; she will keep track of who she gives them to and provide us with the list; she was really happy that we are doing this to help out the residents in the Davison Township/Davison limits; get different amounts in gift cards; she is really grateful for us to help; she is going to put this out that the DDA of the Township is putting this on and not the City; maybe we could help out twice a year if we have the funds.

Hawley – maybe she can keep in touch with us to let us know what is needed throughout the year.

Slezak – she is very thankful for the board members.

Hawley – none of us really are in this for the recognition; but want them to know that the DDA of Davison Township is the one doing this.

Slezak – Gary Gould will help promote, but would like someone from the DDA to sit in on the meeting.

Hawley – it is to just get that the DDA is doing such great things for our residents; this all comes from the revenue from the businesses.

Place – have Gary at the next meeting.

Slezak – yes, but have a one-on-one meeting with him.

Hawley – do we have any social media sites?

Place – we try and stay off that stuff.

Slezak – I can't remember the page.

Hawley – I don't know the page.

Aboneaaj – Community Page; helps a little bit with giving information about the community we live in.

Slezak – that is all I have.

McMahan – that would be great to put out there.

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Hawley – just within these last two months we have accomplished more than previously.
McMahan – what if one of the board members can put that out there on their own page? I can take care of that after we collaborate on it.

Hawley – any Township updates?

Slezak – a lot of new businesses coming in.

Wright – what are the projects coming in? I've missed the last couple of meetings.

Place – Pita Way; Detroit Wings; Dairy Queen; some that we cannot discuss at the moment because we have not taken them to the Planning Commission

Wright – Where is that at?

Place- the corner of Lapeer and Irish.

Hawley – Hamlin Pub.

Place – they are in there engineering process; Delta Tire.

Wright – all on the corner.

Place – yes

Wright – I'm excited

Slezak – couple road projects; widen roads on Lapeer Rd and Gale/left hand turn lane; widen Irish from Kearsley Bridge to Lippincott with a turn lane; add sidewalk in front of vacant land, connect all of Wicklow and connect.

Place – almost all the way to McDonald's, trying to get sidewalks in front of that.

Hawley – that will be fantastic.

Wright – you talking Kearsley Bridge.

Slezak – yes

Hoist – after the holidays we should get moving along with our projects where we have some grant dollars that are available to businesses; so at spring we can select folks; create a form; need to get that started in January.

Slezak – we have some guidelines with the City DDA; we don't give money up front; if it is a 50-50 split, we help.

Hawley – having some type of maintenance clause.

Hoist – yes, we see so many struggle with maintenance.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY HAWLEY, SECOND BY SLEZAK to adjourn at 9:35 am. Motion carried unanimously.

Kurtis McMahan – DDA Secretary