

**DAVISON TOWNSHIP
DOWNTOWN DISTRICT AUTHORITY
MARCH 2, 2021
VIA ZOOM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisor Jim Slezak, Davison, MI
Zak Hawley, Davison, MI
Jackie Hoist, Davison, MI
Craig Stefanko, Davison, MI
Tom Wright, Higgins Lake, MI
Attorney David Lattie
Planning/Zoning Admin Jeremy Smith (recording Secretary also)

MEMBERS ABSENT: William Clancy
Kosta Popoff
Norb Shubert

OTHERS PRESENT: Travis Howell

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Davison Township DDA was called to order at 9:00 A.M. at the Davison Township Municipal Center, 1280 N. Irish Road, Davison, MI 48423 via zoom. A roll call with location was done.

ADOPT THE AGENDA

Mr. Slezak asked to have a new business agenda item added for Mowing Restoration of the Highway Interchanges.

MOTION BY HAWLEY, SECOND BY STEFANKO to adopt the March 2, 2021 agenda with amendment. Motion carried unanimously.

PREVIOUS BOARD MINUTES

MOTION BY WRIGHT, SECOND BY STEFANKO to adopt the minutes from February 2, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

BOARD BILLS

MOTION BY WRIGHT, SECOND BY STEFANKO to approve the board bills from February 2021 in the amount of \$41.11. Motion carried unanimously.

REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE REPORT

Revenues	\$69,630.37
Expenditures	\$ <u>-41.11</u>
Total Balance	\$69,589.26

PUBLIC COMMENT

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Public comment was opened at 9:10 a.m. and there were no comments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. CONTINUED FUNDRAISER DISCUSSION - Hawley explained that it was probably to late in the season for the gift card idea to be used but we should gear up for it by the end of the summer so that we are ready for shopping during the holidays. All agreed. A golf outing was also discussed with half of proceeds going to a worthy cause like Outreach East or another local charity that helps the community. Hawley also mentioned that it might be difficult to have an outing this year since the Davison Chamber of Commerce is already having 3 outings this year. It was agreed by all that we should try for next year on this as well so we can advertise before we have any competition. Discussion of using the funds for worthy causes/businesses that were severely affected by the pandemic, with focus on local businesses. Also, the gift card idea should be used for regional or locally owned business first.
- B. GRANTS – Discussion was made about keeping the money granted be a low amount for the first year or so to create more completion and we can give out funds to more businesses. If it grows then we can up the amount as we see necessary. A letter will need to be drafted and an application will need to be created for applicants. All will need to apply to be eligible.

MOTION BY SLEZAK, SECOND BY WRIGHT to earmark up to \$100,000 of the budget to be used for Beautification and Township Relief Fund projects for 2021 calendar year. Roll Call; Yes – Slezak, Hawley, Hoist, Wright, Stefanko. No – 0. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

LAWN MOWING RESTORATION – Matt Place gave Slezak information recommending the DDA approve up \$1,000 for restoration of the grassy areas around the interchanges. People have driven off the road and have cause ruts and the mowers need them filled in to mow properly without tearing up their equipment. This was done last year as well. Hoist mentioned she would like to see the daffodils be left to grow around the interchanges since the DDA paid to have them planted years ago.

MOTION BY SLEZAK, SECOND BY HOIST to approve up to \$1,000 be used for interchange restoration. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY HAWLEY, SECOND BY STEFANKO to adjourn at 9:50 am. Motion carried unanimously.

Kurtis McMahan – DDA Secretary