



Charter Township of Meridian
Downtown Development Authority (DDA)
Central Fire Station, 5000 Okemos Road,
Okemos, MI 48864 Monday, May 6, 2019 – Minutes

Members

Present: Jim Raynak, Susan Fulk, Peter Campbell, Renee Korrey, Jim Spanos, Scott Weaver, Bill Cawood, Will Randle and Supervisor Ron Styka

Members

Absent: None

Staff

Present: Community Planning and Development Director Mark Kieselbach, Economic Development Director Chris Buck, and Executive Assistant Michelle Prinz

Others

Present: Carmine Avantini and Justin Sprague, CIB Planning

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Fulk called the meeting to order at 7:32am.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION BY MEMBER RAYNAK TO APPROVE THE AGENDA. SUPPORTED BY MEMBER KORREY. MOTION APPROVED 9-0.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF APRIL 8, 2019

MOTION BY MEMBER KORREY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES. SUPPORTED BY MEMBER RAYNAK. MOTION APPROVED 9-0.

4. PUBLIC REMARKS

None.

5. FINANCIAL REPORT

Staff provided a summary update on the April 2019 Financial Report. Report on file.

6. AUTHORIZATION OF PAYMENTS

- a. Reviewed Consumers Energy 4.2019 bill totaling \$104.65.

MOTION BY MEMBER CAWOOD TO APPROVE THE PAYMENT FOR THE CONSUMERS ENERGY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$104.65. SUPPORTED BY MEMBER RAYNAK. MOTION APPROVED 9-0.

7. OLD BUSINESS

- a. TIF Policies and Procedures Subcommittee Update

The DDA reviewed the draft application packet that is composed of three items including the application, guidelines on the process and a score sheet used to weigh the project. The process would include the subcommittee reviewing any application submitted. If they approve of the application, with a score of 70% or higher, it would then go to the full DDA. Final approval would then be before the Township Board. Staff will review the attorney comments on the application packet and schedule one last subcommittee meeting in late May to review the red lined application packet. The final draft will then be on the agenda for the June 3rd DDA meeting and the June 4th Township Board meeting for approval.

- b. Village of Okemos Approval Process Update

The public hearing will be held at the Planning Commission meeting on May 13th.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion: Future DDA Budgets-Non-Project Specific Uses for TIF Funds

The Township budget process begins in June with approval from the Township Board in September. With the new TIF funds, there will be a new method of budgeting in the coming years.

9. TOWNSHIP BOARD REPORT

- Medical marijuana ordinances will be in front of the Board on Thursday
- 35 million dollar bond for road funding
- Renewal of CATA Redi-Ride Millage
- Senior living communities ordinance
- Central Park Road diet
- Update fire code
- Red Cedar Manor project

10. PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT

None.

11. TOWNSHIP MANAGER REPORT

None.

12. CHAIR REPORT

None.

13. STAFF REPORT

- Working with MEDC on predevelopment work in Haslett
- Met with Lake Lansing Park Directors
- Farmers' Market groundbreaking on May 22nd at 11:00am
- EDC gave TinkrLAB in the mall \$2,000 for summer camp scholarships for Meridian kids
- Big Lots sign is up
- Panera Bread framework is going up
- Crunch Fitness will be taking over the former Salvation Army space
- The former Leo's Lodge plan will be before the Planning Commission on May 13th.

14. OPEN DISCUSSION/BOARD COMMENTS

Business owners Village of Okemos open house today at 9:00am at Playmakers.

15. PUBLIC REMARKS

None.

16. NEXT MEETING DATE

a. June 3, 2019, 7:30am

17. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned without objection at 8:40 am.