Charter Township of Filer DDA Regular Meeting Proposed Minutes

March 5, 2024 4:30pm

Filer Township Offices 2111 Nelson Street, Manistee, MI 49660 231-723-3138

Chair	Vice-Chair	Treasurer	Supervisor	Member	Member	Member	Member	Member	Director
Robert Yates	Tom Chycinski	Kathy Gutowski	Terry Walker	Kyle Gurzynski	Al Frye	Mathew Johnson	Bhavik Patell	Vacant	Tamara Buswinka

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Chycinski at 4:30p.m.

Roll Call

Members Present: Gurzynski, Walker, Patell, Chycinski

Members Excused Absence: Johnson, Yates, Frye

Members Unexcused Absence: Others Present: Buswinka

Consent Agenda

Richard & McDougall \$530.00

Consideration of the Minutes

Gurzynski moved, supported by Gutowski, to approve the January 2, 2024 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Gurzynski moved, supported by Walker, to approve the Treasurer's Report dated 2.28.24. Motion passed unanimously.

Gurzynski moved, supported by Walker, to approve the Treasurer's Report dated 1.29.24. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman's Report

No Report.

Supervisor's Report

No report.

Director's Report

See attached report.

Chycinski moved, supported by Gutowski, to direct staff, with the assistance of Board members, to negotiate the sale of DDA property on US31 with the contingent that the purchaser works with Geerlings Development, or any other developer, developing the residential portion of the larger Hamlet project. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Member Comments

Public Comment

No public comments.

Adjournment

Gutowski moved, supported by Gurzynski, to adjourn the meeting at 5:10p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting Minutes Approval

Signature:		Date:
	Al Frye, DDA Secretary	

Next regularly scheduled Board meeting is Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 4:30pm. A meeting informational packet is available for public inspection at the Filer Township office, 2505 Filer City Road. The Filer Township DDA does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to, or treatment or employment in its programs or activities. The DDA Chairperson has been designated to coordinate compliance with the non-discrimination requirements contained in Section 35.107 of the Department of Justice regulations. Information concerning the provisions of the Americans with Disability Act, and the rights provided thereunder, are available from the DDA

DDA Director Report

March 2024

Hamlet Property:

I have had a number of meetings with Geerlings Development and their team. We have been working on details such as total housing units, private/public space amenities, parking, site layout

for structures, roads and non-motorized pathways, and the commercial portion of the project. As

the State of Michigan has passed new economic development tools we have been discussing

those as they might provide powerful new incentives. They anticipate scheduling full board

discussions in the next month or two.

DDA Property

There is a person interested in purchasing a portion of the DDA property. We have been

discussing the conditions under which the DDA might want to consider selling their property. One

large question has been how the sale of a portion of the property would impact the Hamlet project.

Those details are being sorted out during discussion with Geerlings Development and Integrated

Architecture. More updated information will be given at the March DDA meeting.

Submitted by: Tamara Buswinka, DDA Director

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