



BROWNSTOWN TOWNSHIP DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
THURSDAY, October 16, 2014

The regular meeting of the Brownstown Township Downtown Development Authority was held on Thursday, October 16, 2014 in the Township Hall, 21313 Telegraph Road, Brownstown, Michigan 48183. The meeting was called to order at 12:02 p.m. by Chairperson Vidusic and began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Bielecki, DiMilia, Goleniak, Khan, Linko, and Vidusic.

Also in attendance were: Downtown Development Authority Assistant Directors Trussell and Gustafsson and DDA Attorney Young.

EXCUSED: Ferguson, Skotanis, and Smith

MINUTE APPROVAL: Motion by Bielecki, supported by DiMilia, to approve the Downtown Development Authority meeting minutes of September 18, 2014 as submitted. All present voting aye.

AGENDA APPROVAL: Motion by DiMilia, supported by Goleniak, to approve the Downtown Development Authority agenda for October 16, 2014 as submitted. All present voting aye.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

UPDATE ON RED HAWK LANDING DEVELOPMENT AND CLOSING DOCUMENTS

Assistant Director Gustafsson gave an update on the sale of the property between the Township and Redwood Acquisition LLC for the development of Red Hawk Landing. A resolution is needed authorizing someone to represent the DDA for signing affidavit closing, and other related documents. Attorney Rob Young will prepare the following resolution:

The DDA is authorizing Ralph Vidusic to sign any documents necessary for the sale of the property between the Township DDA and Redwood Acquisition LLC for the Red Hawk Landing development. In regards that Ralph Vidusic, for whatever reason is not able to meet his obligations to sign the documents, the DDA authorizes Craig Bielecki as the alternate to sign the documents.

Motion by DiMilia, supported by Khan. All present voting aye.

REPORTS

SEPTEMBER 2014 FINANCIAL REPORTS

Motion by DiMilia, supported by Bielecki, to approve the September 2014 Check Disbursement Reports for accounts 248 and 469 for a total amount of \$34,305.93. All present voting aye.

EVENTS UPDATE

Assistant Director Trussell gave an update on the following events:

* Farmers Market - September 30th was the last day of the Farmers Market for the 2014 season. It was a vendor appreciation day and there was a celebration party with all the vendors. The DDA would like to thank the vendors for all their support and look forward to an even better 2015 season.

EVENTS UPDATE

*DIA Inside Out Program – Two events were recently held as part of The DIA Inside Out Program. There was a Wine and Canvas Night fundraiser for the Woodhaven Brownstown Rotary. The first event was a painting party where participants learned how to paint a fall landscape scene. The money raised will go towards the Warm Coats Program and the Thanksgiving Meal.

The second event was the Gabriel Richard High School Photography Show held on October 9, 2014. There were 12 student photographers who graciously donated the money from the sale of their photographs to the Brownstown Animal Shelter.

The DIA Inside Out Program has been so successful in the Tri County area that other museums across the country are looking into bringing this program to their community. The DIA Inside Out paintings will be taken down by the first week of November.

The DDA would like to thank Redwood Living Inc. for sponsoring this program.

BIKE SHARE PROGRAM

NuPath Credit Union is interested in sponsoring a bicycle sharing program in the Township. NuPath is sponsoring the program as a community outreach program and a way to give back to Downriver Communities. This bike sharing program has been successful in other communities. Zagster runs the program. There is no cost to the Township. The bicycles are locked to a bike rack and by using an app on your phone, you unlock the bike, ride and return to the bike rack. This would be a great addition to our Recreation Campus and existing and future bike paths.

DDA ATTORNEY YOUNG

Motion by Bielecki, supported by DiMilia, to approve to pay DDA Attorney Young's bill for September 2014 in the total amount of \$5,202. All present voting aye.

Motion by Khan, supported by Bielecki, to adjourn the Downtown Development Authority meeting at 12:30 p.m. All present voting aye.

