Charter Township of Union Economic Development Authority Board (EDA) Regular – Electronic Board Meeting Tuesday, July 20, 2021

MINUTES

A regular – electronic meeting of the Charter Township of Union Economic Development Authority was held on June 15, 2021, at 4:30 p.m. as a virtual meeting through the Zoom meeting platform.

Meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Mielke - Union Township, Isabella County, State of Michigan

Hunter - Mt. Pleasant, Isabella County, State of Michigan

Coyne - Union Township, Isabella County

Chowdhary - Union Township

Figg - Union Township, Isabella County

Bacon - Union Township, Isabella County

Kequom - Union Township

Absent: Sweet, Barz, Zalud

Others Present: Rodney Nanney – Community & Economic Development Director, Sherrie Teall – Finance Director, Amy Peak – Building Services Clerk, Chris Rowley – Mt. Pleasant Area Convention and Visitors Bureau, Elena Moeller – Younger - CIB Planning, Carmine Avantini – CIB Planning

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Figg SUPPORTED by Coyne to APPROVE the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Mielke SUPPORTED by Chowdhary to APPROVE minutes from the June 15, 2021, regular meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

PRESENTATIONS

Chris Rowley with Mt. Pleasant Area Convention and Visitors Bureau.

PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment offered.

REPORTS

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/ FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Finance Director Sherri Teall reviewed the accounts payable for the East DDA.

MOTION by Figg SUPPORTED by Coyne to APPROVE the East DDA payables 6/16/21 – 7/20/21 in the amount of \$110,644.99 as presented. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Finance Director Sherri Teall reviewed the accounts payable for the West DDA.

MOTION by Figg SUPPORTED by Chowdhary to APPROVE the West DDA payables 6/16/21 - 7/20/21 in the amount of \$59,815.99 as presented. MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

Finance Director Sherrie Teall reviewed financial reports.

Financial reports were RECEIVED AND FILED by Chair Kequom

Community and Economic Development Director Rodney Nanney gave synopsis of the 2020 Annual Report of EDA activities.

NEW BUSINESS

A. <u>RFBA – Approval of Fire Protection Services Agreement between the Township</u> and the East & West DDA Districts.

Community and Economic Development Director – Rodney Nanney reviewed the request for board action. Discussion held.

MOTION by **Mielke** SUPPORTED by **Coyne** to approve the Fire Protection Services Agreements with the Township for the East and the West Downtown Development Authority districts. 7 - YES, 0 - NO, 3 - ABSENT. **MOTION CARRIED**.

PENDING BUSINESS

A. East & West DDA Districts Development / Tax Increment Financing plans update.

Elena Moeller – Younger and Carmine Avantini reviewed the draft plans and implementation strategy for the West DDA District. Discussion held. East DDA documents will be for review at the August EDA meeting.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

- Vacant seat on EDA Board
- Figg congratulated Rodney and CIB with how well this plan is coming together.
- Kequom commented on a job well done with CIB and staff. Documents look great and looks forward to East DDA Documents.
- Figg commented Zoom Meetings have shown to be very productive with good attendance.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

- Board of Trustee meetings will be resuming in permit meetings on 7/28/21. EDA will be moving back to in person at some point as well however the August meeting will still be held via zoom.
- Update on M-20 corridor upcoming road construction.
- Township has an accepted offer on property that the EDA Board gave authorization for in June. A walk through is scheduled for this week.
- Will include a discussion on returning to in person meetings on August agenda.

Next EDA meeting to be held on August 17, 2021. Meeting adjourned by Chair Kequom at 6:12 p.m.

APPROVED BY

Chair Kequom

(Recorded by Amy Peak)