

**Charter Township of Union
Economic Development Authority Board (EDA)
Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, September 19, 2023**

MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Charter Township of Union Economic Development Authority Board was held on September 19, 2023, at the Union Township Hall 2010 S. Lincoln Rd, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858.

Meeting called to order at 4:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Figg, Zalud, Kequom, Mielke, Coyne, Barz, Sweet

Excused:

Absent: Chowdhary, Bacon

Others Present: Rodney Nanney – Community & Economic Development Director, Amy Peak – Building Services Clerk, Sherrie Teall – Finance Director

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Barz SUPPORTED by Figg to APPROVE minutes from August 15, 2023, Informational meeting as presented. **MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**

MOTION by Sweet SUPPORTED by Zalud to APPROVE minutes from August 15, 2023, regular meeting as presented. **MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**

PRESENTATION - None

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/ FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Finance Director, Sherrie Teall reviewed the accounts payable for the East DDA.

MOTION by Zalud SUPPORTED by Sweet to APPROVE the East DDA payables 8/16/23 – 9/19/23 in the amount of \$98,958.91 as presented. **MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**

Finance Director, Sherrie Teall reviewed the accounts payable for the West DDA. MOTION by Figg SUPPORTED by Bacon to APPROVE the West DDA payables 8/16/23 – 9/19/23 in the amount of \$50.00 as presented. **MOTION CARRIED 7-0.**

Financial reports were RECEIVED AND FILED by Chair Kequom

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Community and Economic Development Director review the proposed FY2024 project priorities, including underground irrigation reconstruction along E Pickard Rd.
Discussion held.
Recommended budget will be brought before the EDA Board in October.

BOARD COMMENTS

- Kequom inquired about the Crew Car and how it's managed and monitored.
- Mielke mentioned the Planning Commission is going through the Master Plan and Parks Plan this year.
- Mielke commented that the Board of Trustees is working on a 2023 survey for Union Township residents and thinks this survey will help the EDA Board with upcoming project priorities.
- Sweet commented he has a tough time with the thought of spending \$450,000 on irrigation and is interested in other options.
- Zalud noted the importance of improving the section of S. Lincoln Road between E. Remus Rd. (M-20) and the Chippewa River bridge to a three lane Class A roadway ~~when repaving is warranted in the future.~~
- Zalud commented that he appreciates the head's up on the proposed budget before this comes to them as an action item for approval.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

- The township has applied for a Rural Readiness grant from MDARD.
- The E. Pickard Rd. (M-20) road reconstruction project is still on track to be completed for this year before 11/15/2023.
- J. Ranck is committed to flagging the path of our new streetlight wiring along M-20. The township will then have someone geo-locate the lines and work on getting this into Miss Dig.
- Amy Peak will not be attending the October meeting. The board packet will come from Tera Green.

Next regular EDA meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 17, 2023, at 4:30pm
Meeting adjourned at 5:44pm

APPROVED BY


Thomas Kequom, EDA Board Chair

(Recorded by Amy Peak)