Charter Township of Union Economic Development Authority Board (EDA) Special Informational Meeting Tuesday, July 26, 2022

MINUTES

A special informational meeting of the Charter Township of Union Economic Development Authority was held on July 26, 2022, at 4:30 p.m. at Union Township Hall 2010 S Lincoln Rd, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858.

Meeting was called to order at 4:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Hunter Excused: Mielke

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

NEW BUSINESS

A. 2021 Annual Report

Rodney Nanney, Community and Economic Development presented 2021 Annual Report and noted that the annual report has been available on the Township's website.

- Figg commented on all the support received from Isabella County Road Commission, Township Board, CIB Planning as well as a thank you to Township Support Staff for all that we along with the EDA have accomplished together.
- Kequom also commented on a thorough report provided.
- B. 2022 Priority: The Director reviewed the Implementation Strategy Plan. Grant Program was rolled out. Interest has been shown with no applications yet. No comments or questions from the Board.
- C. 2022 2023 Project Priorities

The Director summarized the Project Priorities, looking ahead while using the implementation strategy documents as our guide and looking to the EDA Board for direction.

- WDDA Opportunities
- Possibly expanding the current Grant Program

• Potential for consideration of strategic land purchase opportunities for economic development purposes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

• Dick Figg – Commented via letter on the importance of adding new streetlighting in the West DDA District along S. Lincoln Rd.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Looking ahead to future project priorities in the East DDA District, the Director responded to questions from EDA Board members about irrigation system mapping and replacement and storage of streetlights, irrigation, and benches along E. Pickard Rd. by MDOT during and after the M-20 road construction project.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS - None

Informational meeting will be held on August 16, 2022, at 4:30pm Next regularly scheduled EDA meeting will the August 16, 2022, directly following the informational meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

APPROVED BY

(Recorded by Amy Peak)