

**Charter Township of Union
Economic Development Authority Board (EDA)
Regular – Electronic Board Meeting
Tuesday, May18, 2021**

MINUTES

A regular – electronic meeting of the Charter Township of Union Economic Development Authority was held on May 18, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. as a virtual meeting through the Zoom meeting platform.

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Mielke – Union Township, Isabella County, MI, Figg – Union Township, Isabella County, Coyne – Union Township, Isabella County, Hunter – Union Township, Isabella County, Sweet – Union Township, Isabella County, Bacon – Union Township, Isabella County, Chowdhary – Mt. Pleasant, MI, Barz – Union Township, Isabella County, Kequom – Union Township, Isabella County

Absent: Zalud

Others Present: Rodney Nanney – Community & Economic Development Director, Sherrie Teall – Finance Director, Ali Barnes – Yeo & Yeo, Elena Moeller-Younger – CIB Planning, Carmine Avantini – CIB Planning

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Mielke SUPPORTED by Figg to APPROVE the agenda as amended to include 8A. Election of Offices. MOTION CARRIED 9-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Figg SUPPORTED by Barz to APPROVE minutes from the April 20, 2021 regular meeting as presented. MOTION CARRIED 9-0.

PRESENTATIONS

- A. Ali Barnes – Yeo & Yeo gave FY 2020 audit presentation. The audit had no material weaknesses or significant deficiencies, and the Township received an unmodified opinion which is the highest level of assurance. Financial records and statements are appropriately presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting practices. Audit was received and filed.

Audit received and filed by Chair Kequom

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 Chowdhary SUPPORTED by Coyne to APPROVE the East DDA payables 4/21/21 – 5/18/21 in the amount of \$20,985.74 as presented. MOTION CARRIED 9-0.

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

MOTION by Figg SUPPORTED by Barz to APPROVE the West DDA payables 4/21/21 – 5/18/21 in the amount of \$152.50 as presented. MOTION CARRIED 9-0.

Finance Director Sherrie Teall reviewed financial reports.

Financial reports were RECEIVED AND FILED by Chair Kequom

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Election of Officers: MOTION by Figg SUPPORT by Hunter to nominate Tom Kequom as EDA Chair. Discussion held, 9 – YES, 0 – NO, MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION by Hunter SUPPORT by Sweet to nominate Bryan Mielke as EDA Vice Chair. Discussion held. 9 – YES, 0 – NO, MOTION CARRIED.

PENDING BUSINESS

- A. **East & West DDA Districts Development / Tax Increment Financing plans update.** Elena Moeller – Younger and Carmine Avantini with CIB Planning reviewed status updates and proposed improvement categories review.

EDA Board is extremely pleased with the information presented by CIB Planning.
Plan update from Director Nanney – Mid Michigan College meeting update.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

- Vacant seat on EDA Board
- Election of EDA Treasurer

DIRECTOR COMMENTS

- East DDA District has several development projects up and coming.
 - Northway Dr. distribution center.
 - 5048 E Pickard for retail store.
 - SW Corner of Pickard / Isabella filling station.
 - Potential local restaurant.

Next EDA meeting to be held on June 15, 2021.
Meeting adjourned by Chair Kequom at 5:58 p.m.

APPROVED BY


Chair Kequom

(Recorded by Amy Peak)