

MINUTES OF THE CLAY TOWNSHIP DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2001 IN THE
CLAY TOWNSHIP BOARDROOM, 4710 PTE. TREMBLE ROAD, CLAY TOWNSHIP, MI
48001.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Richard Wagner at 7:30 p.m.

1. **PRESENT:** Chairman Richard Wagner, Vice-Chairman Mark Thompson, Chuck Michel, William Seifert, Joseph H. McKoan IV, Robert Gooden, Pauline Dueweke, Joseph Little, Brian Potter.

ABSENT: None.

Two Residents present, Kenneth Montgomery of Montgomery & Associates and Treasurer Connie Turner.

Chairman Wagner welcomed new member Brian Potter to the DDA Board.

2. **Approval of the Agenda and Amendments:**

Moved by Seifert, supported by Thompson to approve the agenda as submitted. AYES: All. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. **Approval of the 11-13-2001 Minutes and Executive Minutes:**

Moved by Thompson, supported by Seifert to approve the 11-13-2001 DDA Minutes and the Executive Minutes held on October 5, 2001 and November 13, 2001. AYES: All. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. **Treasurer's Report:**

Moved by Thompson, supported by McKoan to accept the December 6, 2001 Treasurer's Report and year to date compilation as submitted. AYES: All. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

5. **Bill's Payable**

Moved by Thompson, supported by Seifert to correct the Bills Payable order as follows: Montgomery Associate, Inc. Bill is for \$2,368.75 and the Banner Sign Co. bill is \$1,234.20. AYES: All. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Moved by Seifert, supported by Thompson to add the Tilton & Associates Bill for a wetland Determination Report in the amount of \$995.55. AYES: All. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Moved by Thompson, supported by Seifert to pay the Bills Payable to:

?	Montgomery Associates, Inc.	\$	2,368.75
?	Recording Secretary Bill (Dec.)		35.00
?	Banner Sign Co.		1,234.20
?	Tilton & Associates		995.55

AYES: All. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None. **MOTION CARRIED.**

6. **COMMUNICATIONS**

Chairman Wagner updated the DDA Board where we are at with resolutions of support from the different government entities.

7. **FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

Reviewed quickly the FYI in the packets.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. Bikepath/M-29 Improvements Project:

Nothing new to report, have not heard from Cheryl (MDOT), will be seeing her at the SCOTTS meeting; Joe McKoan and I met with Tetra Tech re: intersection of Ainsworth and Pte. Tremble Road; according to MDOT not meeting the average daily vehicles; make an inquiry and draft a letter from Supervisor McKoan requesting information from MDOT so we can disclaim why they are not doing anything about this intersection. Discussion followed.

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B. Grants:

Will discuss with Ken Montgomery later; Mr. Fleming from Plante Moran had a discussion with him.

C. Signs/Banners (light pole)

Update from Mark Thompson: Pole will be set and electrical will do their end. Christmas banners have been installed.

D. Beautification Committee:

1. Planters – Stencil Quote of \$72.50:

Motion by Seifert, supported by Thompson to approve purchasing the stencil from Bob's Specialty Company for the DDA Planters in the amount of \$72.50. AYES: All. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Mark Thompson will call the Company up and discuss the details.

2. Ditch Maintenance: Ad was placed in The Voice Newspaper.

3. A Thank You ad to the supporters of the beautification project will be placed in The Voice Newspaper; the DDA Board reviewed Pauline Dueweke's ad and approved.

A special thank you to Pauline was extended for all the work she has been putting forth in the community.

Pauline Dueweke: Report of the clean-up of the flower pots stored at the DPW; spoke with the school and hopefully students can be assigned in government classes for a project to help plant the flowers.

E. Planner Update: (Montgomery Associates, Inc.)

Chairman Wagner will proceed with the rest of the agenda and then proceed into an executive session.

9. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. Board Membership – Certificate of Appreciation

Chairman Wagner presented Robert Gooden and George Koury with a Certificate of Appreciation from the Township for their service to the DDA. This meeting is Robert Gooden's last meeting.

10. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:**

Pauline Dueweke: Colony Tower situation, possible solutions: donate the Tower to the Township or the DDA or extend the DDA District just to encompass the Tower by annexing that one parcel?

Joseph H. McKoan IV: If donated to a nonprofit organization, grants not available to a Homeowners Association; Township Board could address it.

Chairman Wagner: Shouldn't the Colony Board be approached if they are interested?

Joseph McKoan IV: Residents want to see the Tower kept.

Robert Gooden: Tower is part of Clay Township, need to find out how to save it.

Lengthy discussion continued regarding Colony Tower should not be abandoned. Consensus of the Board to direct Supervisor Joseph McKoan IV to approach the Colony Association regarding methods to help save the Tower.

11. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Richard Baker, Stone Road: Thought Sprint wanted to install a tower on the Colony Tower for communication and the company was going to paint tower in return; Historical Tower it could not be torn down.

Mark Thompson: Historical marker would not save it from being torn down.

Richard Baker: If were to be given to the Township, would be foolish not to take it, Sprint would pay Township money to rent space on it.

Moved by Thompson, supported by McKoan IV to go into an executive session with Kenneth Montgomery at 8:10 p.m. AYES: All. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Valerie J. Kulba
Recording Secretary