

Chairman Wagner: Restated motion to by Seifert, supported by Vice-Chairman Thompson and motion by Bryson, supported by Vice-Chairman Thompson to accept Bills Payable including three year membership for the DDA to the International Council of Shopping Centers.

AYES: All

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Manos (excused)

MOTION CARRIED.

6. COMMUNICATIONS:

A) Michigan Township Association – St. Clair County Chapter Annual Dinner Meeting Invitation.

Chairman Wagner: If a member is interested in attending, they can let Connie Turner know by January 18, 2008.

Turner: The Township will pay for the member but if you want to take a guest the cost to you would be \$25.00.

7. OLD BUSINESS:

A) Sidewalk – Phase IV

Chairman Wagner: He had a discussion with Mr. Monte and almost all of the plans are completed and ready for submission to MDOT. The soil boring information has been collected but has not yet been reduced to a written report. We are planning on extending the sidewalk from Maynard to the DNR site. Once the project is completed, the sidewalk will run from the DNR site to Roberts Road. Mr. Monte had no further updates regarding the easements other than they have all the legal descriptions completed. He is assuming that this work should be able to be completed in the Spring. There is no further information regarding the bridge.

B) Banner Sign

Vice-Chairman Thompson: Is awaiting more quotes that should be available in time for the next meeting. He has re-bid this project. Mr. Bryson has given Mr. Thompson a name of someone that is interested. Also, Phillips Sign and Lighting is going to bid and Banner Sign is going to re-bid.

Chairman Wagner: Commented that Christmas lighting on the poles in the downtown area of Algonac over the holidays looked very nice. He questioned whether the Christmas lights could not be done in Clay Township between the poles that do not have banners.

Vice-Chairman Thompson: Stated that it would require getting power to the lights. It would be a possibility that could be looked at for the future.

8. NEW BUSINESS:

A) DDA Sign Repair

Chairman Wagner: Thanked Vice-Chairman Wagner for fixing the sign at the western boundary of the Township. This previous sign at the western boundary of the Township had been snapped in half by the wind.

Vice-Chairman Thompson: Stated that what he did was used the sign intended for the eastern boundary to replace the broken sign, which will be repaired.

B) Election of DDA Officers for 2008.

Chairman Wagner: Stated that his term expires on December 31, 2008 and he is not seeking re-election as Chairman. The floor was then opened to nominations.

Elections of Officers of the Clay Township Planning Commission was opened by Chairman Wagner at 7:40 p.m.

Motion by Seifert to nominate Mark Thompson for Chairperson of the Downtown Development Authority for 2008.

Mr. Thompson accepted the nomination. No other nominations for Chairman were made.

Motion by Horeftis to nominate Richard Wagner for Vice-Chairman of the Downtown Development Authority for 2008.

Mr. Wagner accepted the nomination. No other nominations for Vice-Chairman were made.

Motion by Seifert, supported by Horeftis to close nominations for officers of the Downtown Development Authority for 2008.

AYES: All

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Manos (excused)

MOTION CARRIED. MARK THOMPSON ELECTED AS CHAIRMAN AND RICHARD WAGNER ELECTED AS VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE CLAY TOWNSHIP DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR 2008.

9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

Chairperson Wagner: Congratulated Ms. Horeftis on her engagement over the Christmas season.

Seifert: Questioned why there was a large County Road Commission sign in front of our high school sign on M-29?

Vice-Chairman Thompson: Stated that he will take a look at it and see if something needs to be done.

10. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

DeBoyer: Questioned what is going to be done about the flower pots around the Township property.

Vice-Chairman Thompson: Stated that he would take care of them.

DeBoyer: Stated that she had done all the landscaping around the Township and enjoys doing landscaping. If DDA would like to hire her to do same, she volunteered to take over the landscaping around the benches at the high school in the Spring.

Horeftis: Requested that approval for Ms. DeBoyer to provide landscaping services at the high school in the Spring be placed on the next agenda.

Vice-Chairman Thompson: Stated that we had Precision Landscaping come out in the Fall and then they came back in the Spring.

Horeftis: Stated that she felt they charged a ton to come out and mulch and basically whack down the grass.

Bryson: Stated he also felt they charged way too much for what they did.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Horeftis, supported by Vice-Chairman Thompson to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

AYES: All NAYS: None

ABSENT: Manos (excused)

Respectfully submitted,

Christine J. Holcomb
Recording Secretary