

# Perry Township DDA

## Meeting Minutes October 21, 2020 at 6:30 PM

Call to order: Chairman Robert Piro called the DDA Meeting to Order at 6:35 PM

Pledge to flag: The pledge to the U.S. Flag was conducted

Member Roll Call: Joe Audia – present; Robert Piro - present; Brian Pfeifle - present; Stacey Matthews - present; Robert Taylor – present; Mark Fulks – present.

Absent: Adam Elsesser, Angela Falzon, Kris Morse

Guests: Justin Horvath & Brent Jones (SEDP), Mayor James Huguelet-City of Perry

Required Informational Meeting on DDA Activities: 6:38 PM – Robert Piro asked Mark Fulks to give an update. Discussed were the repaving of Bennett Drive; completion of the lighting project - billing complete; and installing the turn arrow and lines on Lansing Rd going to the East into Bennett Drive; DDA fund balance as of 10/20/20 is \$185,927.92. Brian made a motion to close meeting at 6:41 PM; seconded by Robert Taylor. All Ayes.

Approval of the Agenda: Stacey made a motion to approve; seconded by Brian. All Ayes

Opportunity for the Public to address the DDA Board: none

Approval of the Minutes from the July 15, 2020 meeting: Brian Pfeifle made a motion to approve; seconded by Robert Piro. All Ayes

Treasurer's Report/Approval: Brian gave an update on the Treasurer's Report. Joe Audia made a motion to approve the report; seconded by Stacey Matthews. All Ayes

### Old Business:

1. Lansing Road Pavement – at Bennett Drive – Payment to the Road Commission is complete and the project is complete. Actual cost to the DDA was \$29,463.72. Also, lines were installed on Lansing Road east to Bennett Drive with a turn arrow installed at the request of the DDA Board.

### New Business:

1. New Lansing Road Lighting Project – West of M-52 to Signature Ford – Consumers Energy was contacted for an update. They are primarily working from home; our contact Kathryn Burkholder stated that they are still scooping in the layout phase of the project.

2. Update on DDA Activities – Justin Horvath reported on several on-going projects including an new business, Mosquito Squad into our DDA zone on Bennett Drive

with their purchase of the smaller Spartan Fence building for the headquarters. He also discussed several other projects along Lansing Road.

3. Water Loop at Lansing Road down Bennett Drive – Grant Proposal/Engineering estimate was presented to the DDA Board. The City of Perry and Perry Township joined together to hire an Engineering Firm (Hubbell, Roth & Clark) and their Engineering Report for the Water System Improvements was discussed. HRC outlined the three (3) areas: 1. Water Supply & Treatment – installing a new well with a 700 GPM pump capacity and adding treatment units to bring treatment capacity in line with well capacity; 2. Storage with the addition on a new 500,000 gallon elevated storage tank located on the DDA property west of the barber shop located on Lansing Road. Price to include all electrical, lighting, water piping, fire hydrant assembly, security fencing, chlorine booster & recirculating pump and site restoration; 3. Distribution System including 12" water main and service leads, connections to existing water main; pavement removal, curb and gutter, backfilling, sand & gravel and surface restoration from Lansing Road down Bennett Drive and west along Britton Road back to near the High School.

Funding for the Project was discussed with our SEDP (Shiawassee Economic Development Partnership) Justin Horvath and Brent Jones. Justin outlined the steps required for the Grant. It is funded by the U.S. Dept. of Commerce. Usually a 50%/50% Grant but now it is an 80-20% Grant with additional 10% assistance from the State of Michigan. The Scope of the Project was discussed with Lee Shirey at the EDA the lead applicant will be the owner of the (water) system. Therefore, the City of Perry, MI will be the lead applicant with Perry Township the co-applicant. Justin also pointed out that he has spoken to several of the business owners along Lansing Road and Bennett Drive who would benefit from the City/Township Water System and this info will be necessary for the development of the Grant Application. Brent Jones will be our lead person involved in preparing the Application for the Grant. They are encouraged through their discussions with the State on the Grant for us.

Mark Fulks discussed several details of the bid including the fact that if the water tower is installed along Lansing Road it can be seen from I-69 and with the Perry Township name on the tower. Industries will know that "city" water is available in the township. He also discussed the fact that the Township has sold some property to a local resident that was near Beard Road and was "earmarked" for water in the future – this money was directed to be used for the "water loop" by the Township Board at its last meeting in October, 2020. Several DDA Board members noted that this was a "once in a lifetime" opportunity to secure source water with the Grant. The Mayor of Perry, James Huguelet also gave his support for the Water Project and also stated that this was a good investment in both of our infrastructure for future growth.

4. Rose Blvd roadwork was also discussed. It was noted that the Township has requested the Road Commission give us a cost estimate for the re-pavement work

on this road. Costs should be coming by the first of the year and will be reviewed and discussed at the next DDA Meeting.

Public Comments: none

The next DDA Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 20, 2021 at 6:30 PM.

Adjournment: Motion was made by Brian Pfeifle; seconded by Joe Audia to adjourn at 7:48 PM.

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