

CITY OF HANCOCK
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF OCTOBER 1, 2018

The regular monthly DDA meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairperson Jonathan Luse, Jr. on Monday, October 1, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall with the following members present: Jonathan Luse, Jr., Pete Mackin, Kathy Johnson, John Diebel, Jordan Johnson and Steve Zutter

Absent: Peter Wickley, Randy Neiswonger and Lisa McKenzie

Guests/Staff: Barry Givens, City Manager Glenn Anderson, John Haeussler

It was moved by K. Johnson and seconded by Makin to approve the agenda.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

It was moved by Diebel and seconded by Zutter to approve the September 10, 2018 minutes.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

Public Comments: None

Updates/Information

-Heard that Governor Snyder had agreed for the State of Michigan to pay for one-half of the required FEMA local match valued by the City of up to \$938,250.

-Reviewed the City's 84 FEMA flood damage project list

-Reviewed the 18 FHWA fed. Aid City flood damaged road projects.

-Noted the City still had a FEMA local match of \$938,250 and FHWA local match of \$670,000 for a total of \$1,608,250.

-Discussed financing options for the local match

-the Small Urban downtown repaving project is on hold till 2019 due to the 4-week MITA lock out of operating engineers Local 324

-Reviewed the existing blight condition of the old Neil's Taxi property located at 201 E. Franklin St.

-Heard the City had scheduled two additional volunteer community builds for new playground structures at Third St. and Montezuma Parks for October 5th thru the 7th

-Noted MJO Contracting was substantially complete on the construction of the new beach dock, with some completion work to be done in 2019.

-Reviewed the SBA loan assistance program offered to businesses and residents following the Federal Flood Disaster Declaration

-Received an update on the MDOT Swedetown Creek M-203 Bridge replacement project being constructed by Hebert Construction.

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- Reviewed the FEMA National Flood Insurance program information for eligibility.
- Reviewed the Sept. 11th HB & PA minutes
- Noted the County will be holding several public information events on the proposed new jail millage, including one scheduled for Thursday, October 25th at 7:00 p.m. at the Franklin Twp. Hall

The DDA reviewed the process to have the city maintain its eligibility to be designated a MEDC Redevelopment Ready Community (RRC) which is now a requirement by the MEDC for being eligible to obtain grant funds.

The DDA Board reviewed the DDA façade grant report indicating since the inception of the grant program in 2008 the DDA has awarded \$575,840 to over 70 city downtown businesses

Pete Mackin updated the DDA Board on Evergreen Technology's business operations.

It was noted that after 22 years of faithful service on the DDA Board, Kathy Johnson will be retiring from the Board effective November 20, 2018.

It was moved by K. Johnson and seconded by Mackin to adjourn at 6:10 p.m.

AYES: All

NAYES: None

Motion Carried

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn Anderson
Secretary Pro-tem