

Corridor Improvement Authority Minutes –June 13, 2018 Meeting

Present: Chris Barnett, Dan Dewey, Tony Montgomery, Donni Steele, and JoAnn Van Tassel
Absent: H Scott Bicknell and Terry Winter
Others: Tammy Girling, Gary Roberts and Jim Stevens

Chris Barnett called the meeting to order at 5:05pm

Agenda Approval – It was moved by Dan Dewey and supported by Tony Montgomery to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried

Minutes – It was moved by Chris Barnett and supported by Dan Dewey to approve the Minutes of the March 14, 2018 as corrected. Corrections: Correct the spelling of Ms Girling’s name from Tammie to Tammy. Correct the sentence under 313 Brown Road from – Chris Barnett reported that the Township offered \$470,000 in the Purchase Agreement and after due diligence agreed to \$775,000 for the property and the business. To read: Chris Barnett reported that the Township offered \$470,000 on a Purchase Agreement. The acquisition cost was \$775,000 for the property and the business. Motion carried

Brown Road Development – Gray Roberts presented information that one hotel is definitely set for Brown Road and it will be by Huston Road. Chris Barnett reported that Menard’s is set to open on Tuesday, August 14th. Tammy Girling noted that a purchaser is interested in property on Judah Road.

HCMA Tax Capture Update – Chris Barnett noted that he and others have been working on this for over a year. Three directors on that Board and two different chairs of the group don’t want to set a precedent. They have no written policy. However, there will be no capture by the CIA because no action was taken by the HCMA Board.

Baldwin Road Project Update & Streetscape – Chris Barnett reported that work on the roadway is progressing and that paving will be done in the near future. Jim Stevens indicated that Phase I concrete mock up for the roundabouts is being done in the next couple of weeks. Phase II has been approved by MDOT and will be going out for bids with the Road Commission project.

Jim Stevens then presented information about decorative street poles and signs with frames. An option is to have galvanized poles painted black. Chris Barnett handed out information on sign options with cost figures. He indicated that \$1,000,000.00 has been budgeted for items like this. Jim Stevens noted that the cost for the area between Gregory Road north to Maybee Road would be \$135,200.00. All of the roundabouts would cost \$160,786.00. The participating costs indicate where those costs are part of the Road Commission project. Non-participating costs are the responsibility of Orion Township. JoAnn Van Tassel asked about the cost of adding the Judah Road and Waldon Road roundabouts. **It was moved by Donni Steele and supported by Dan Dewey to allow an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00 for Option 1 plus the roundabouts at Judah Road and Waldon Road. Motion carried.**

Pocket Parks & Grant Opportunities – Chris Barnett said the Road Commission for Oakland County will turn over the property at the site of the former gas station at Gregory Road and Baldwin for a pocket park. Property at the corner of Jordan Road and Baldwin would cost under \$100,000.00 to acquire. The Township has applied for a grant from the Ralph A Wilson Foundation. Jim Stevens noted that \$225,000.00 has been budgeted for pocket parks. A donation has been received from the Gregory Meadows project developers. Chris Barnett indicated that the KaBoom Company has been approached about participating in the pocket park projects. **It was moved by Donni Steele and supported by Tony Montgomery to approve the purchase of property at the southeast corner of Jordan Road at Baldwin for a cost of up to \$90,000.00 for a pocket park. Motion carried.**

Open Items – Next Steps – JoAnn Van Tassel suggested talking to the folks at Panera Bread about building a larger place on Brown Road since it is so crowded at its current location. Gary Roberts indicated that he has contacted them. Dan Dewey noted that he would like to have a deli and a brewery on Brown Road where a person could brew their own beer.

It was moved by Donni Steele and supported by Tony Montgomery to adjourn, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:10pm.

JoAnn Van Tassel, Secretary