

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN  
LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY  
TUESDAY MARCH 10, 2015  
MEETING MINUTES**

**Chairman Dotson called the meeting to order at 2:07 pm**

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Chairman Dotson, Covington, Peters, Barker & Supervisor Combs.

Staff: Jack Knowles and Recording Secretary Grishaber

Absent Excused: Armstrong, Hayes

Audience Members: (8) people in audience.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**Motion Combs, Peters seconded to approve the March 10, 2015 agenda with Amendment.**

**Motion Carried**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Motion Combs, Peter seconded to approve the December 15, 2014 minutes with noted corrections.**

**Motion Carried**

**CORRESPONDENCE: None**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Director Knowles introduced our new LDFA member appointed Shareen Barker by the Van Buren School district
2. Director Knowles informed the Committee the terms James Williams and Doug Peters need to be extended until August 12, 2018.

**Motion Combs, Covington seconded to extend the terms of James Williams & Doug Peters to August 12, 2018.**

**Motion Carried.**

Chairperson Dotson would like to open the floor for nominations for Corresponding Secretary, Vice Chairperson and Chairperson.

Moving on to election positions for Corresponding Secretary.

**Motion Peters, seconded Covington to approve Mr. Armstrong as Corresponding Secretary.**

**Motion Carried.**

**Motion Covington, seconded Combs to nominate Peters for Vice Chairperson.  
Motion Carried.**

**Motion Peters, Combs seconded to nominate Dotson for Chairperson.  
Motion Carried.**

**The floor is now closed for nominations for the positions Corresponding Secretary, Vice Chairperson, and Chairperson.**

**Moving on to elections positions for Corresponding Secretary, Vice Chairperson and Chairperson.**

**All those in favor say: Aye.  
All those opposed: None  
Motion Carried.**

**Unfinished Business:**

Director Knowles informed the Committee this is the same memo from Mr. Greco from November 2014 to refresh everyone's memory. This was a remainder parcel from the widening of Ecorse Road, look at the last (2) pages just west of Hannan & Ecorse Road Southwest corner longest dimension are in the East & West direction with little depth. It is very problematic parcel to develop in that matter. There is a drain that runs to the south end of parcel. From a development it's very unlikely that it can be used in a useful manner with a structure on it. The Township was asked to do an appraisal on the LDFA property. The Appraiser was Fleishmann appraisal Consulting Firm. By the next meeting we will probably have the results; it should be posted 30 days.

**Motion Peters, seconded James, the Township should solicit bids for 30 days and advertise in the Independent Newspaper and the Township Web-site.  
Motion Carried**

**Bond Refinancing-Update**

Supervisor Combs stated there will be a Special Work Study scheduled for Thursday April 2, 2015 at 4:00pm to discuss the Bond Refinancing. It will be posted as is customary and required to let this body know there will be a Special Work Study, anyone who wishes to attend after the meeting, Supervisor Combs will do a written update about to the Board for the members who may not be able to attend, the meeting will be held in the Otisville Sheldon Room.

**General Discussion:**

Supervisor Combs agreed with John Delaney, when he mentioned the Board of LDFA Has (3) vacancy's on this LDFA Board. Wayne County is in the process of someone filling in the vacancy.

Supervisor Combs stated the Board still has vacancies and is open for suggestions from the Board.

John Delaney stated for (2) terms in a row, a committee member has missed more than 80% of the LDFA meetings. Delaney wants on record the LDFA is not following its By-Laws about attendance by the members of LDFA.

**Audience:**

Diane Madigan inquired if Doug Peters was voted in last year.

Committee member Doug Peters thinks it would be beneficial that the LDFA get ahold of Bryce Kelley before the April 2, 2015 Special Work Study.

**Adjournment:**

**Motion Peters, seconded Covington to adjourn the meeting at 3:06pm.**

**Motion Carried.**

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tina Grishaber".

**Tina Grishaber  
Recording Secretary**