

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
July 12, 2016 - 2:00pm., Denton Room**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Dotson called the meeting to order at 2:03pm.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Dotson, Armstrong, Karomoko, Delaney, Barker, Williams, Dobriansky

Staff: Director Akers, Secretary Grishaber

Absent Excused: Covington, Hayes, Combs, Peters

Audience Members: Seven (7) people in audience.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion Delaney, Barker seconded to approve July 12, 2016 Agenda.
Motion Carried

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion Barker, Delaney seconded to approve May 10, 2016 Minutes.
Motion Carried

CORRESPONDENCE: Director Akers gave a brief overview of the 2015 LDFA Audit. Chairman Dotson indicated that he would follow up with the Deputy Treasurer to answer specific questions. Director Akers gave an overview of the Asset Familiarization Tour summary letter. Committee member Delaney has concerns that the LDFA was not invited to the event. Chairman Dotson agreed the LDFA Board should be kept updated on what is going on in the community.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Proposed Revisions to the By-Laws of the LDFA:

Director Akers presented the comments of the Township Board regarding the proposed revisions of the bylaws to the LDFA. The LDFA asked to consider additional rules for the number of times members can attend via teleconferencing. Director Akers indicated he would review the request and bring a proposal to the next meeting.

2. Ecorse Road Property Update:

Director Akers updated the LDFA regarding the status of the rezoning request for LDFA owned property on Ecorse Road between Hannan Road and I-275. The LDFA directed Akers to bring the RFP for the sale of the property forward at the next LDFA meeting.

3. Marketing/Community Outreach Update:

Director Akers, Chuck Covington, John Delaney and Chairman Dotson volunteered to serve on a separate subcommittee to discuss marketing strategies and Grace Lake Corporate Center signage which will meet on June 27, 2016.

NEW BUSINESS: None

NON AGENDA ITEMS: None

There was a general conversation about the Grace Lake Corporate Center and how better to market it. The committee discussed signage, trail maintenance, and new tenants at Grace Lake Corporate Center.

Delaney asked about the status of a proposed Closed Session meeting between the LDFA & the Township Board. Director Akers informed the committee about a discussion at the June 6 Work Study to set up a special meeting with the Board of Trustee and the LDFA to discuss the current lawsuit. Director Akers will follow up with Supervisor Combs to determine what the status is and give the LDFA committee an update.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion Delaney, Armstrong seconded to close the meeting at 3:07pm
Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

**Tina Grishaber
Recording Secretary**